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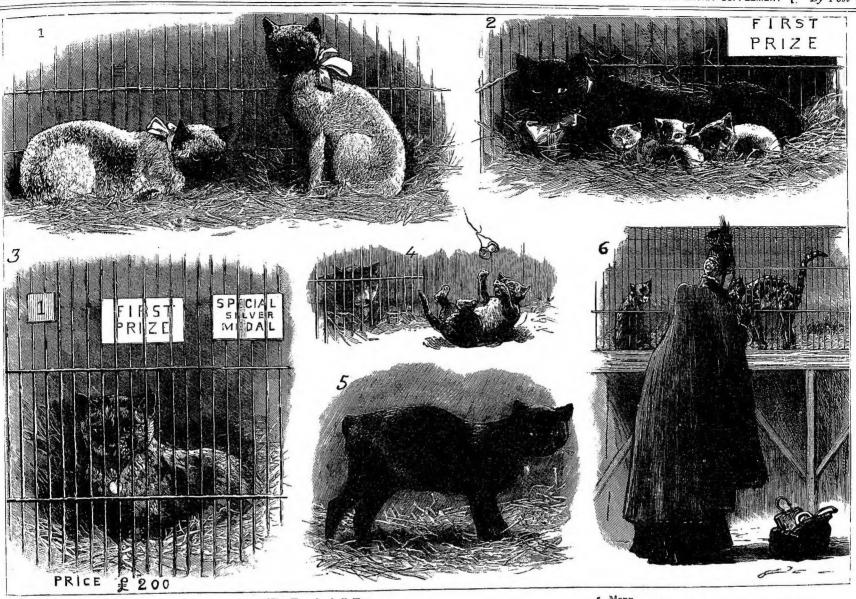
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THE GREEK ROYAL WEDDING—ARRIVAL OF THE EMPRESS FREDERICK AND PRINCESS SOPHIE AT VENICE ON THEIR WAY TO ATHENS

Poics of the Walcows

RECENT POLITICAL SPEECHES .- Although that mighty talking monster, the House of Commons, is supposed to be hybernating between September and February, a good many of its individual elements are wide awake and lively throughout the whole Recess, and ready to indulge in any quantity of oratory. Tuesday last was a grand field-day in this respect. Three of the leading performers on the political stage-namely, Lord Hartington, Mr. Goschen, and Mr. Morley-favoured the public with their views. As we have ventured to remark before now, it would be interesting to know how many habitual newspaper-readers conscientiously toil through these addresses, and how many are content with the summaries, dexterously mingled with partisan arguments, which appear in the leading articles of their favourite journals. The aim and object of these speeches may be stated in a sentence. The Ins want to stay in; the Outs want to dislodge them, and take their places. As regards the subjectmatter of the speeches, Ireland still triumphantly blocks the way. Home Rule, with all the greater issues which are inevitably involved in it, is still the chief theme of discussion. Mr. Gladstone's careful reticence on this subject is equally provoking both to his opponents and to the more honest and sincere among his followers. In this respect he outdoes Count Moltke. The great strategist can be silent in seven languages, but the old Parliamentary hand can spout by the hour and yet never say a clear or intelligible word on the subject in which all who listen to him, friends and foes alike, are equally interested. He still clings to the blank cheque formula-"Put me back in office, and then you shall see what you shall see." It is true that on one point Mr. Gladstone appears-though the appearance may be illusory-to have made a disclosure. He seems inclined to retain the Irish members in the House of Commons. But as it would be absurd to allow the Irish to meddle in our domestic affairs if we are forbidden to meddle in theirs, the only logical consequence of this concession would be the disestablishment of the present Parliament, and the substitution for it of local national Parliaments. At least four would be needed, and perhaps more, to prevent England, if treated as a unit, from exercising an undue preponderance in Imperial affairs. If Canning could return to life, he would be more astonished than gratified at this virtual restoration of the Heptarchy. Yet something will have to be done, for many supporters of the present Ministry demand an extension of Local Government to Ireland. How to effect this safely is a thorny problem, for, judging by the recent action of Boards of Guardians and other local officials, such newly-constituted bodies would prove quite as troublesome as a genuine Home Rule Parliament in Dublin, and, unlike that, would fail to satisfy the national aspiration for domestic independence.

FRANCE AND GREECE. The Greek marriage seems to have produced a very unfavourable impression on French politicians. They complain that Greece has forgotten her obligations to France, and has shown an unfriendly feeling in estab ishing an intimate relation between her reigning family and the House of Hohenzollern. It is true that the Greeks owe a considerable debt of gratitude to the French Republic. At the Berlin Congress M. Waddington exerted himself to the utmost on their behalf, and it is probable that, but for his efforts, the satisfaction of Hellenic aspirations might at least have been postponed. Gratitude has never counted for much in politics, but the French would have had a right to complain if Greece had done anything that could have tended to injure their national interests. It is difficult to see, however, in what way the marriage of the Duke of Sparta with the Princess Sophie can do the slightest harm to France. Greece has no wish to obtain anything that France possesses, or desires to possess, and, if she had such a wish, this marriage would not necessarily bring her nearer to the attainment of her object; for the policy of nations in our time is determined by solid interests, not by dynastic alliances. The Duke of Sparta and his young wife are in every way well-fitted for one another, and their union has simply nothing whatever to do with any question by which France can be even remotely affected. But since the French, whether reasonably or unreasonably, feel rather bitterly about the matter, the statesmen of Greece ought to miss no opportunity of conciliating them. France has always been a good friend of the Hellenic kingdom, and no one can tell how soon difficulties may arise in the settlement of which her influence might be of priceless value. Greece cannot afford to allow so powerful an ally to be alienated by misunderstandings which may be dispelled by a little tact and courtesy.

The Indian Press.—Every now and then the Anglo-Indian papers start a wild shricking that the Empire is endangered by seditious writing in their native contemporaries. One of these attacks is now in full swing, and its echoes even reach the London Press. Fortunately the English people have grown accustomed to these recurrent alarms, and little mischief now results. All the same it is a matter for regret that European Pressmen in the East are so

ready to throw mud at the indigenous journalist. That his pen sometimes spurts a mild sort of sedition may not be denied. But, compared with the Irish article, it is entirely innocuous. The native writer cannot too effusively praise the Queen and her family: his eulogies on them almost seem ironical to European readers, so garnished are they with Oriental hyperbole. He also lauds the British Parliament and the British people-except those of the latter who dwell in India. His half-educated brain has evolved the curious idea that the Englishmen with whom he is brought into contact are altogether abnormal types, by reason of their being encrusted with racial pride and racial contempt. They represent the hard fist of the conqueror; the English at home have, he believes, nothing of that sort about them. This being his view, he showers clumsy and, for the most part, pointless abuse on his rulers, without for a moment suspecting that he is straying towards disloyalty and sedition. A common artifice of the native journalist is to predict the early advent of a Russian army unless this or that boon be granted to his class. At one time the clamour is for the formation of native volunteer corps; at another, admission is demanded into the commissioned ranks of the army, on the same conditions as obtain in the case of English gentlemen. But, although these and other petitions are invariably supplemented by the Russian bogey in the background, it would be a torturing of language to call them seditious. They are foolish and puerile; that forms the Alpha and Omega of their offensiveness.

THE GWEEDORE TRIALS.—As we pointed out last week, the jury acted wisely in finding the first prisoner put on his trial for being concerned in causing the death of Inspector Martin guilty of manslaughter rather than of murder. The wisdom of this merciful distinction has been further illustrated this week, as it has caused the remainder of the prisonersevidently distrustful that they might have as good luck as Gallagher, concerning whom the jury were unable to agreeto plead guilty, either to the charge of manslaughter, or to that of wilfully obstructing the police. Stern upholders of the majesty of the law-if there are any left in these degenerate days-will doubtless be disappointed, for certainly somebody richly deserved hanging, as the penalty for a ferocious and dastardly murder. But the difficulty is to discover that somebody in a district where sympathisers with, or palliators of, such a crime are unfortunately only too numerous. And, as the detection of the principal offender or offenders is thus rendered practically impossible, this deplorable business has ended in as satisfactory a manner as can be expected. Now that Judge Gibson has spoken out so strongly, the police will in future take care, when they have similar arrests to make, to be provided with a force sufficient to cope with all probable contingencies, and also to accomplish their errand quietly and unobtrusively.

OUR MIDDLE SCHOOLS. -- In his speech at Ormskirk the other day, Lord Derby called attention to a very real defect in our educational system. This is the want of a sufficient number of good schools for the middle classes. Although, as we have often taken occasion to point out, the methods of instruction in our elementary schools urgently need to be reformed, it cannot be denied that the provision for the education of the children of the working classes is incomparably better than it was twenty years ago. If the schools intended for boys at the other end of the social scale are not all that they might be, and ought to be, they at any rate do much excellent work, and are capable of being adapted to meet new needs. Unfortunately, middle schools are, as a rule, in a very different position. We do not, of course, mean to say that there are no admirable middle schools. Many grammar schools are now well organised, and there are some private middle schools which would compare favourably even with a typical German Gymnasium. But the schools which the majority of children of the middle class attend are not nearly so well fitted for their purpose as either the elementary schools on the one hand or the great public schools on the other. Every one who thinks about the matter must see that this is a most serious evil, and that it ought to be remedied; for it is quite as important that England should have a properly-educated middle class as that the poorer and the better-off classes should be adequately trained. The State cannot, of course, be asked to establish a system of middle schools; but it might do much to bring about a better state of things by insisting that incompetent persons shall not undertake the task of teaching in such institutions. It does not permit any quack who may choose to set up as a doctor to enforce the payment of fees for medical advice. Why should it allow ill-educated men and women to enter upon educational work for which they have no sort of aptitude? Let every one who desires to be a teacher be required to give proof of his or her ability for the calling, and in the course of a few years we might be able to say of our middle schools that they were "The Deformed Transformed."

Ocean Racing.—Like the frog in the fable, the average passenger in a Transatlantic racer must often feel inclined to say to the captain, "It may be fun to you, but it is death to me." There are possibly some who relish being driven ahead at top speed, against roaring winds and tumultuous

waves. Rumour asserts that omnibus racing is largely due to the drivers being "tipped" by a certain description of passenger to try to pass every similar vehicle on the road. If there are human beings so profoundly idiotic as to do that, it may be assumed that some Transatlantic passengers really do take a lively interest in "beating record." For these perilous races are only against time, like most American trotting-matches. It is very rare indeed for two liners to start together; even when they do they speedily lose sight of one another, and those who take interest in the competition can only judge what their chance of victory is by the time-test. And for the sake of completing the voyage in a few minutes under the shortest previous time, there are actually people so constituted as to be willing to submit to the most hideous discomfort, not unattended by danger. The nineteenth century is terribly given to hurry, no doubt, but it has not come to such a pass as to render it a matter of vital consequence whether a voyage occupies five days twenty-three hours or six days two hours. That the builders, the owners, and the captains of the ships should wish to "beat record" is natural enough; in their cases it is all in the way of business, since it leads to fame and fortune. But the passengers-what have they to do in that galley? Surely the majority must be too sensible to barter a week's comfort for such a miserable mess of pottage as the gain of an hour or two. The next racecourse will be, we suppose. the Milford route. At all events, there will be a clear run in on the return voyage, instead of the slowing down which usually marks passages as soon as the Queenstown winningpost is left behind.

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE. This Act has now come into operation; compulsorily as regards the metropolis, and permissively as regards provincial authorities. Under the provisions of the Act notification must be given, in the case of certain infectious maladies occurring, both by the head of the household (or, in his default, by various other persons who are enumerated, including, finally, the occupier of the building) and also by the medical practitioner attending the patient. This obligation of a double notification gave rise, it will be remembered, to an ardent controversy, but we think it will be found that the joint responsibility imposed is wise. As the doctor is under a legal compulsion to do his duty in this respect, he need not fear that he will give offence to a foolish employer by disclosing family secrets; and, moreover, his vigilance will be sharpened, and his sense of extra trouble sweetened, by the receipt of a small fee from the local authority to whom he makes the formal notification. This last is a most sensible provision. Doctors are a hard-worked body, and the sanitary enthusiasm of recent years has cast various duties upon them, which were unknown to preceding generations. As for the performance of these extra duties the toiling medico usually gets nothing but thanks, and not always that, it is not surprising that he sometimes has eyes conveniently blind for nuisances which the law expects him to see. The medical men scattered over the United Kingdom constitute a sanitary army of the most valuable description, but we cannot expect zealous service from them in suggesting preventive health-measures unless they are adequately paid for the additional labour they undergo. Let us hope that the Infectious Diseases Notification Act will be regarded as a wholesome precedent in this respect.

SALVATIONISTS AT WHITCHURCH.—A great many people who do not often agree with Sir William Harcourt must have read with pleasure his sensible letter on the position of the Salvation Army in Whitchurch. A number of intolerant busybodies in that town have made themselves remarkably prominent by the persecution of the Salvationists. For no greater offence than that of beating a big drum and preaching to crowds in the open air, members of the Army have been dragged to prison, and a vast amount of unwholesome excitement has been stirred up among classes who, in the ordinary course of things, would have paid little heed to the doings of "General" Booth's eccentric soldiers. That the methods of the Salvation Army irritate a good many persons is certain; and it is not always easy to understand how those who delight in sensational appeals and frantic noises can have much opportunity of listening to "the still, small voice" with which religion is supposed to be intimately related. But, whether we like the Salvationists or not, the point is that they have a right to give effect to their ideas in their own way, so long as they do not cause real inconve other people. Of course, if they obstruct the public highways, they must expect to be told to "move on," and to be punished in the event of their declining to obey lawful orders. But we do not understand that either in Whitchurch or elsewhere they desire to block the streets, or to annoy any one who wishes to have nothing to do with them. They are always perfectly ready to submit to regulations which are enforced in the case of other processionists and street-orators. This being so, it is monstrous that the law should be strained against them, and that they should be harshly treated. It is not by proceedings of this kind that England has won the reputation of being the freest country in the world. "Live and let live" must be our motto in dealing even with enthusiasts whose proceedings we dislike.

A very useful body is the National siety. Without any blowing of POPULAR ATHLETICS. POPULAR AIRDERICS.——A very useful body is the National Physical Recreation Society. Without any blowing of trumpets or beating of drums, it is doing right good work by trumpets or peating of drams, it is using right good work by providing voluntary gymnastic teachers for those young men's organisations which have latterly come into existence in most great centres of population. We do not refer to athletic clubs of the sporting type; they can look after themselves, being mainly constituted of members to whom themselves, oring manny athleticism is a passion. But the members of the Young Men's Christian Association and its affiliated societies require both instruction and example to arrive at the mens sana in corpore sano, and this they get from the Physical Recreation Society. It is beyond dispute that the urban young man runs a perpetual risk of degenerating into a nocturnal loafer. There is little temptation to take exercise in the streets after he has knocked off work for the day; the monotony soon nips athletic enthusiasm in the bud. He must either, therefore, remain indoors, or lounge about in quest of fresh air and distraction. That large numbers strong'y object to both alternatives is proved by the marvellous success that has attended the Young Men's Friendly Society's efforts to meet the athletic requirements of its members. So heartily have they taken to muscular exercise, that their team last year carried off the Challenge Shield open to competition among similar organisations throughout the kingdom. Gymnastics are only one department of their curriculum; they also patronise, we believe, rowing, cycling, football, cricket, and boxing, as do the members of the Polytechnic. And it is pleasant to relate that these young athletes box in the old style as a manifestation of skill, and not with the sole object of doing as much damage as possible to the antagonist. agree with Sir Richard Webster, himself a renowned athlete in his day, that it would be impossible to over-estimate the amount of good done by gymnastic societies in towns.

ARE LAW AND JUSTICE SYNONYMOUS? ---- An interesting discussion has been raised in the columns of the St. James's Gazette on the question "Are the Professions played out?" And the practically unanimous conclusion on the part of the more sensible persons who have joined in the debate is, that although the professions appear to be, and perhaps really are, more crowded than at any previous period, yet that a man who by diligence takes pains to make his proffered services valuable to the public will always in exchange for those services receive adequate remuneration. The discussion principally centred round the solicitors' profession, and it was reasonably urged that, owing to the complexity of modern business, and the number of persons who are able and willing to pay for the assistance of an honest and capable legal adviser, men who are deserving of these complimentary adjectives will always, with patience and perseverance, ultimately succeed. But at this point, as a layman, the writer of these lines began to meditate on a side-issue. Why is it, he asked himself, that the solicitor is such a useful-nay, such an indispensable-creature to almost everybody who has any money to lose? And the answer is that we laymen fly to a solicitor for advice because we are so mortally afraid of the Law. Experience warns us that it is a sort of octopus out of whose clutches it is extremely difficult to get if once we court its embraces. Supposing we find ourselves involved in some pecuniary dispute, where we are quite sure that we have right on our side. We go to the honest and capable solicitor before mentioned. What does he say? He says what he always says, "You are in the right, but don't go to law. You may get the worst of it. Pay the fellow, and have done with it." Now, is it necessary that there should be this apparent divorce between Law and Justice? Curiously enough, in a number of the St. James's Gazette containing part of the "Professions'" discussion, there is a letter from a correspondent detailing his respective experiences of the law in England and France. In England he gets judgment against his debtors, but cannot bring them to book; he also, in resisting a claim which was pronounced by the Court to be unjust, had to pay 6501. in In France his experiences were all the other way. A simple machinery exists by which, at very small expense, he obtained justice in two precisely similar cases. If some among the many lawyers who represent us in Parliament would endeavour to make Law and Justice convertible, instead of, as they too often are, contradictory terms, they would carn the gratitude of thousands.

AMERICAN WORKING WOMEN.—A most interesting Report on the Working Women of the United States has just been issued by the American Commissioner of Labour. Most of the facts recorded were collected by women who served as agents of the Commissioner. These indefatigable inquirers interviewed no fewer than 17,427 women engaged in 343 industries in twenty-two of the chief American cities. The result of their investigations is to show that the circumstances of working women in the United States are not essentially different from those of the same class in our own country. In towns where the demand for the work of women exceeds the supply, wages are high; in towns where the condition the conditions are reversed, they are low—so low that in multitudes of cases women have the utmost difficulty in making the pittance necessary to keep body and soul tegether. The closest resemblance to the position of

London working women is to be found in New York, where a constant influx of cheap foreign labour in the humblest departments of industry forces wages down to the level at which they just suffice to prevent starvation. In Boston the state of things is not much better, but in Chicago and Atlanta the supply of female labour is so limited that working women are able almost to dictate their own terms. In these places high wages do not seem to produce a good effect on character, for "great complaint is heard of the incompetence and shiftlessness of the girls, of their inability to learn to do fine work, of their unreliability and absenteeism." Even in Chicago working women suffer greatly from having to live in overcrowded tenements, for which exorbitant rents are charged; and this evil is still more formidable in New York and Boston. Many attempts are made by philanthropic agencies, in America as in England, to bring gleams of brightness into the lives of working women; but it is recognised that their circumstances can be effectually and permanently improved only by their own efforts. It is necessary, above all, that they should combine to protect one another by means of Trades' Unions. Unhappily there are many difficulties in the way, and for a long time the poorest class of honest women will probably continue to accept their lot as the result of a decree of Fate. If the Women's Trade Association, now being formed in London, should prove to be a success, its influence will no doubt, by and by, make itself felt on the other side of the Atlantic.

WRECKS.—Mr. Plimsoll may be safely trusted to make profitable use of the "Wreck Register" just published. Even the inexpert can gather from the contents that practical philanthropy has ample scope for activity in protecting the lives of sailors. There is, it is true, some diminution in the number of maritime casualties compared with the previous twelve months, but these statistics always fluctuate largely, and we fear it cannot yet be said that England is gaining ground in this department of humanity, Collisions, the most fertile cause of loss of life at sea, appear to be as frequent as ever, while ancient coasting craft have the same disagreeable knack of going to the bottom. Now, what is the most common cause of collisions? Driving ahead during thick weather, unquestionably. And why are skippers guilty of such recklessness when they know that it endangers, not only their ships, but every soul on board? Simply because owners will have it so; thanks to being fully insured, they lose nothing by collisions, whereas delays en route would touch their pockets. It is the same in the case of those antediluvian coasters, of which so many founder every year. Insured to their full value — sometimes considerably beyond it — they pay if they make reasonably quick passages, but not other-The owner thus stands to win in a certain case, but not to lose in any. Is it wonderful then, that skippers in such employ naturally run the gravest risks, sooner than acquire the evil reputation of being unprofitable servants? Human nature will have to be reconstructed on totally different lines before the average skipper learns to hold the interests of humanity in higher regard than those of his employer. It is the system itself, not the individuals who operate it, that needs drastic amendment. Old sailing craft, engaged in the coasting trade, should be subjected to rigorous inspection before each voyage; no maritime insurance that did not leave a large margin of loss to the owner should be legal; the Board of Trade should make lying to compulsory during fogs in crowded or narrow waters; more care should be taken that men shipped as sailors are sailors, and not, as in too many instances, landsmen impressed for the occasion.

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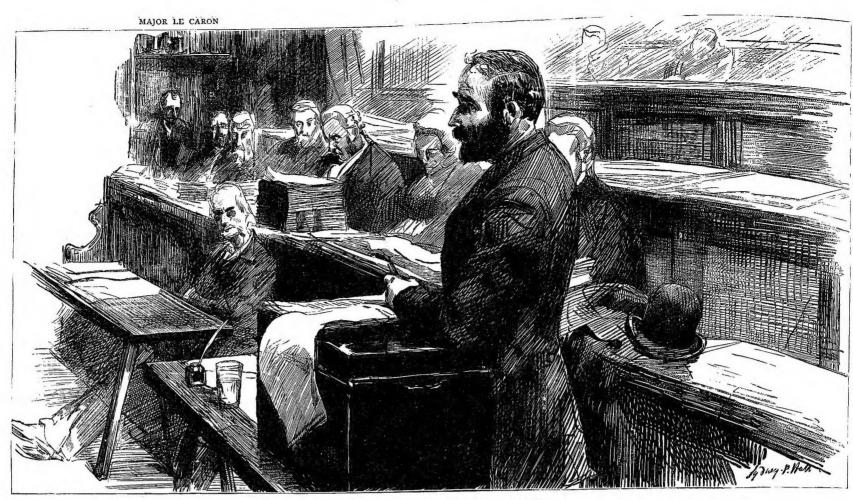
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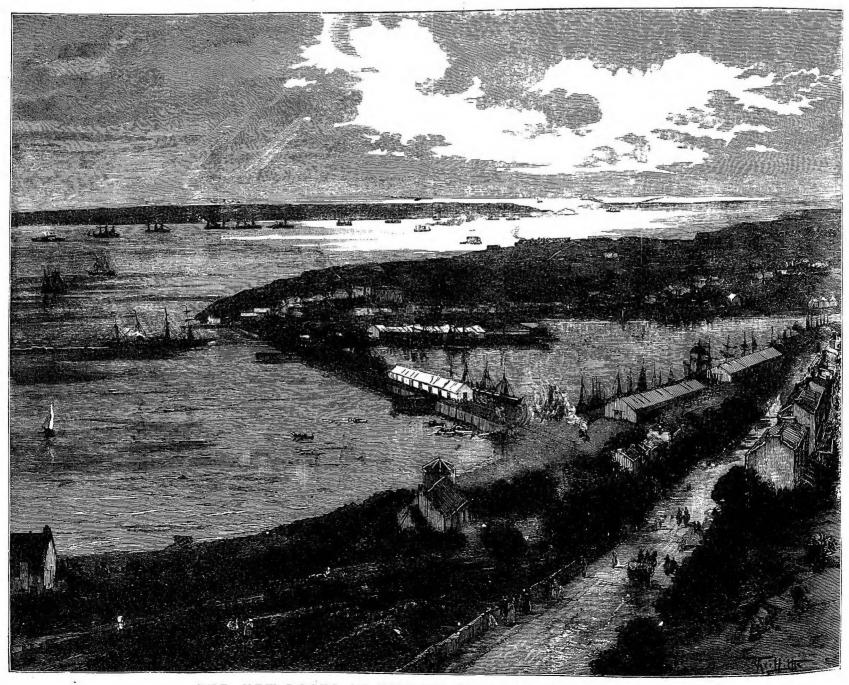
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This new Atlantic port, by means of which the journey from America is considerably shortened, was inaugurated last week by the arrival of the Anchor Line S.S. "City of Rome"





THE CRYSTAL PALACE CAT SHOW

ALTHOUGH the Countess de la Torre was not represented at the Show held on Tuesday and Wednesday last week, there was no lack of numbers. More than five hundred cats, together with Show held on Tuesday and Wednesday last week, there was no lack of numbers. More than five hundred cats, together with kittens innumerable, sat in their cages, and received with silent dignity the attentions of the visitors. That is the peculiarity of a Cat Show. Unlike dogs, the competitors make no noise, and take all the proceedings as a matter of course. That is, to say, the adults do; the younglings are full of restlessness and animation. In the cat-world there is an aristocracy of hair. Fluffiness is the criterion of merit: and the long-haired table, the fluffy Russian rither cat-world there is an aristocracy of nair. Fruitness is the criterion of merit; and the long-haired tabby, the fluffy Russian blue (which reminds one of "the rugged Russian bear," of the Jingo jingle) and its Persian cousin quite look down upon their experts there were a good many of smooth-haired rivals. Nevertheless, there were a good many of these latter on view, especially in the Working Men's Class, where good mousing qualities are more regarded than an elegant appearance on the hearth-rug. The fashionable cat to-day is the Siamese, which, with the black results of these on the nearth-rug. The fashionable cat to-day is the Stainlese, which, with its black muzzle and fawn cost, resembles a pug-dog; of these there were several. Manx cats were in favour not long ago, but on this occasion their tale was short, for there were but two of them! Perhaps the greatest curiosity of the Show was a real Tortoiseshell. Tom, a rarity which cat-fanciers regard much as stamp-collectors do a black penny V.R. English. However, it was not this cat upon whose head was set the prohibitive price of 1,000. Needless to say there was no bid, but business was pretty brisk among the cheaper sorts, prices ranging from two guineas for a kitten to as much as 25% for a "grown-un" a "grown-up.

PRINCESS SOPHIE AT VENICE

THE Empress Frederick, accompanied by the Princess Sophie (then the bride-elect, but now the wife of the Crown Prince of (then the bride-elect, but now the wife of the Crown Prince of Greece) and her three other daughters, arrived at Venice at 3 P.M. on October 20th, en route for Athens. The Royal party were received at the station by the civil and military authorities, and escorted on board the chartered steamer Imperatrix, which started on the following Tuesday for Corinth. On the night of the arrival at Venice of the distinguished travellers the city was illuminated, and next exemples there was a corendar. and next evening there was a serenade.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION

On Thursday, October 24th, the curtain drew up for the last act of the long drama which is being enacted in the Royal Courts of Justice. Since the Commission opened, five hundred witnesses, save one, have answered nearly 100,000 questions; and the report of the proceedings fills more than six thousand foolscap pages, containing words to the number of nearly three million and a half.

Mr. Murphy, O.C., for the Times has examined more than a ontaining words to the number of nearly three inition and a half Mr. Murphy, Q.C., for the *Times*, has examined more than a hundred witnesses; Sir Charles Russell, for the Parnellites, has cross-examined 175. The proceedings began last week with Mr. Biggar's speech in his own behalf. The New Law Courts have not have the the interior influence of St. Stephen's and after he Biggar's speech in his own behalf. The New Law Courts have not apparently the inspiring influence of St. Stephen's, and, after he had paid a few exceedingly left-handed compliments to the Attorney-General and Mr. Soames, Mr. Biggar was actually at a loss for words, and incontinently sat down. At no loss for words was Mr. Davitt, who followed, and, in spite of the presence in the court of Major Le Caron, whose appearance generally seems to have a disturbing influence upon the Parnellites, he spoke without interruption through Thursday, Friday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

MILFORD DOCKS

THAT splendid expanse of almost land-locked water, Milford Haven, is now provided with the indispensable adjunct of a set of first-rate docks, after severe vicissitudes of fortune had been underfirst-rate docks, after severe vicissitudes of fortune had been undergone by the Company which undertook their construction. They have cost a million sterling; there is a graving-dock over 700 feet long; wet docks capable of receiving a dozen great liners at once; miles of quays; a railway running close to the landing-place; and, above all, the power of entering and leaving at any state of tide. At length everything was finished, and the contracts with steamship owners and the Great Western Railway were not only signed, but, on Thursday, October 24th, carried into actual performance. On that day, at 5.30 P.M., the Anchor Line steamer City of Rome, from New York, anchored at Dale Road, one of the many inlets within Millford Haven. She had on board 160 packages of luggage and 122 passengers, all of whom were members of Mr. Barnum's troupe, which is just about to open Olympia with "the Greatest Show on Earth." Having landed her passengers, &e., the City of Rome left for Liverpool. The train containing the passengers and baggage started for London at 10.20 P.M., and performed the journey to Paddington in a few minutes over six hours. Sanguine expectations are formed that for passenger, as distinguished from goods, traffic, the passenger of the passenger, as it will become a repulser as it will seen are formed that for passenger, as distinguished from goods, traffic, are formed that for passenger, as distinguished from goods, trame, this route to and from America will become popular, as it will save the fogs and difficult navigation of the Irish Sea. For passengers whose ultimate destination is London or the Continent Milford is very little further off than Liverpool, with the advantage of avoiding what is often the most unpleasant and dangerous part of

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES AT VENICE

AT 10 P.M. on October 15th the Prince and Princess of Wales AT 10 P.M. on October 15th the Frince and Frinces of Wales and their daughters arrived at Venice, and slept on board the Oshorne, after having received the officials of the city. On the following morning they visited the Cathedral of St. Mark and the Ducal Palace. In the evening there were musical files on the Piazza of St. Mark in honour of the Royal visitors, and on the Filozofic day, as depicted in our issue of last week a water file following day, as depicted in our issue of last week, a water fête was held on the Grand Canal. On October 19th their Royal Highnesses left for Athens.

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DR. JAMES PRESCOTT JOULE, who died on the 11th inst, at Sale, near Manchester, was born at Salford on Christmas Eve, 1818. Being a delicate child, he was educated at home, and at the age of fifteen was set to work in his father's brewery. But he and his brother were sent to learn chemistry from the distinguished chemist, Dalton, of Manchester; and an affection for science was thus implanted in young Joule's mind. At first he turned his attention mainly to magnetism and electricity, but he soon began to interest himself in heat, and as early as 1843 he promulgated his famous law of the mechanical equivalent of heat. It was this discovery, which has been of inestimable value in commercial as well as scientific undertakings, which made Joule's reputation, though many other important discoveries are associated with his name. Dr. Joule received the Royal Gold Medal of the Royal Society in 1852, the Copley Gold Medal of the same body in 1870, and the Albert Medal of the Society of Arts in 1880. In 1878 his services to science were recognised by Lord Beaconsfield, and he was given a pension of 200L a year. But he lived a most retired and modest existence; even his death was not publicly known for several days

after its occurrence. Dr. Joule married in 1847 Amelia, daughter of Mr. John Grimes, Comptroller of Customs, Liverpool, by whom he had a son and a daughter. His wife died a few years after the marriage but his children americant. marriage, but his children survive him.

SIR DANIEL GOOCH,

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CHAIRMAN of the Great Western Railway Company, died, after a protracted illness, on October 15th, at his Berkshire residence, a protracted illness, on October 15th, at his Berkshire residence, Clewer Park, near Windsor, aged seventy-three. He was born August 24th, 1816, at Bedlington in Northumberland, and it was his delight as a child to wander about among the machinery of the Bedlington Ironworks. George Stephenson was a frequent visitor at his father's house, and it was at Stephenson and Pease's Forth Street Works in Newcastle that the young Daniel served his supprenticeship to practical engineering. He was employed in the apprenticeship to practical engineering. He was employed in the active works at Warrington under Robert Stephenson, when, at the early age of twenty-one, Brunel recommended him to the directors for the appointment of Locomotive Superintendent of the Great Western Railway, a post which he held for twenty-seven years. He at once took rank as one of the leaders of his profession. His "North Star," still to be seen at Swindon, is a marvel of symmetry and compactness, though made over fifty years ago. The engines that work the broad-gauge expresses to-day are practically unaltered from what they were when he put the first of the class, the "North Briton," on the road in 1846. Nor has their speed been bettered since that date. In 1864 Mr. Gooch retired from the service of the Great Western, in order to devote himself to the establishment of telegraphic communication between England and America. He and his associates succeeded, after many arduous establishment of telegraphic communication between England and America. He and his associates succeeded, after many arduous struggles, and he was rewarded with a baronetcy. Soon after he was summoned back to the Great Western to assume the position of was summoned back to the Great Western to assume the position of Chairman, the company being in imminent danger of bankruptcy. That it has emerged from this distressful plight and become one of the most prosperous of English railways is largely due to the upright and able management of Sir Daniel Gooch. For twenty years he sat in Parliament as member for Cricklade, but his real title to fame is centred in his connection with the G. W. R. Sir Daniel was twice married—first in 1828 to Margaret daughter of Daniel was twice marriel—first, in 1838, to Margaret, daughter of the late Mr. Henry Tanner, of Bishopwearmouth, by whom he had several children, including a son, Henry Daniel, born in 1841, who succeeds to the baronetcy; and secondly, in 1870, to Emily, daughter of the late Mr. John Burder, of Norwood, who survives him.—Our portrait is from a photograph by Hills and Saunders, Fron Eton.

THE NEW M.P. FOR BRIGHTON

THE seat left vacant by the death of Sir Tindal Robertson (C) THE seat left vacant by the death of Sir Tindal Robertson (C) was contested last Friday by Sir Robert Peel (G L), who polled 4,625 votes, and Mr. Gerald Loder (C), who polled 7,132 votes. The latter was therefore declared duly elected. Mr. Gerald Walter Erskine Loder is the fourth son of the late Sir Robert Loder, who was M.P. for Shoreham from 1880 to 1885, by his marriage with Maria, daughter of the late Mr. Hans Busk, of Culverden, Tunbridge Wells. The new M.P. was born October 25th, 1861 (so that he won his electioneering victory on his birthday), and was educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge. He has been for some time Private Secretary to the Right Hon. C. T. Ritchie, M.P., President of the Local Government Board.—Our portrait is from a photograph by W. A. and H. Fry, 68, East Street, Brighton.

"THROUGH THE NEW WEST "-ON TOUR WITH THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA OVER THE CANADIÀN PACIFIC RAILWAY

ONE of the most enjoyable routes to America during the summer season is viâ the Straits of Belle Isle, across the Gulf of St. Lawrence, up the St. Lawrence River to Quebec and Montreal. On leaving Moville, in the North of Ireland, by the Allan Line of steamers, one generally sights land on the other side in five days. Though these steamers do not go at the fancy pace of their sisters on the Queenstown-New-York route, they get out of the boisterous Atlantic into comparatively smooth water in much less time, and are exceedingly comfortable and well-officered. From Rimouski, at the mouth of the St. Lawrence, where the mails are landed, and as far as Quebec, the scenery is one panorama of forest-clad mountains, land-locked bays, and rocky islets, with here and there small settleland-locked bays, and rocky islets, with here and there small settlements nestling in the foot-hills. Arriving at the abrupt promontory whereon stands the Citadel of Quebec, the scenery begins to soften, and fertile lowlands stretch from either shore, studded with bright little villages and townships, surrounded with rich foliage, forming the beautiful valley of the St. Lawrence. On landing at Montreal I took train for Ottawa, where I joined the Governor-General's party on the journey through the New West—a journey over a continuous line, the longest stretch of railway in the world. A direct tinuous line, the longest stretch of railway in the world, a direct route from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean.

The Viceregal train is composed of three carriages. Next to the engine is the Canadian and Pacific parlour and sleeping-car, "The Nagasaki," the interior of which surpasses any car I have yet seen on the American Continent for beauty of design and upholstery. The second carriage is used for baggage, stores, and as a dressing-room for the aides-de-camp. The third and last is the Viceregal car, christened "The Victoria." The forward part of this car is the dining-room, comfortably seating twelve persons. Partitioned from this is a kitchen; then come three bedrooms and a bathroom. In rear of the car is Lady Stanley's apartment, looking with large windows on to the track, and furnished with sofas, easy chairs, and all drawing-room requisites. All the carriages are connected in the usual fashion adopted with American trains, so that passengers can visit each other at will.

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Though his Excellency had many loyal ovations at the various points of industries en route, it was not till Lord Stanley and party arrived at the "bull's-eye" city of the West—Winnipeg—that the reception took the form of a large organisation. A torchlight procession, in which the whole populace seemed to join, surged round the Viceregal carriage en route to Government House. No Governor-General has had greater demonstrations of loyalty and Western centre. Though it was pouring with rain, and the streets were a foot thick with the tenacious Winnipeg mud, the cheering crowds plodded on a full two miles to Governor Schultz's residence, where his Excellency and Lady Stanley remained during the few days of their stay in the capital of Manitoba

One of the most important functions following the advent of the Governor-General into Winnipeg was the address presented by the Mayor and Corporation in the Court House, the interior of a building which is one of the wonders of the "mushroom city.

On leaving Winnipeg for Regina, we paid a visit en route to the Crofter Settlement near Saltcots, where we' found the majority of forty-nine families, mustering 280 men, women, and children, sent out by the British Government last spring. Small wooden houses were already erected for them on arrival, and implements and oxen given them to break up the ground. They had already broken up several acres, dug wells and made clearings to avert the terrible prairie fires. In one hut the family had brought its own spinning-wheel and loom, and the women were busy at work preparing for the winter, while their menkind were also preparing for the cold "snap" by plastering the exterior walls of their wooden shanties with mud. There were a few grumblers among the settlers, and there were men who seemed to be loafing while the women were doing the work;

but the majority seemed more than satisfied with what the Govern but the majority seemed more than a bright, hopeful look on their F. VILLIERS.

"THE NEW PRINCE FORTUNATUS"

A NEW serial story by William Black, illustrated by William Small, is continued on page 533.

A CHILDREN'S SCHOOL TREAT

MR. HERBERT JOHNSON'S life-like drawings will recall to many persons—both teachers and pupils—the experiences of the past summer, when such scenes as are here depicted were visible at every railway station. Unfortunately, during July and August, the two most favourite months for these events, the weather this year was very often the reverse of what was wanted by holiday-makers; very often the reverse of what was wanted by nonday-makers; nevertheless, the buoyant spirits of youth rise superior even to a downpour of chilling rain, and even the icy heart of a cynic might be melted by the shrill hurrahs and vehement wavings of flags and handkerchiefs which proceeded from the crowded railway carriages. And, in a soberer way, the mothers, too, enjoy the fun. Besides, when it is all over, the recollection stands out as a pleasant land. mark in the sluggish current of every-day monotonous existence,

THE SETTLEMENT OF CAPE JUBY, NORTH WEST AFRICA

THIS part of Africa was first visited by Mr. Donald Mackenzie in 1876, with a view of founding a commercial settlement, and ultimately of opening up a route to the Western Soudan, and thus tapping the trade of that populous district. After examining two hundred miles of coast-line, Cape Juby was selected by Mr. Mackenzie as the most suitable place for the settlement, for it is the only safe harbour on the coast for hundreds of miles. It has the advantage of being near the Canary, Islands, and possesses a splendid climate. In 1879 Mr. Mackenzie founded the settlement, but not without bitter opposition Mackenzie tounded the settlement, but not without bitter opposition from Spain and Morocco—Spain, because the conqueror of the Canaries occupied a portion of the same coast four hundred years ago; Morocco, because she feared that a settlement south of that empire would, in the end, interfere with the slave traffic, and take away much of the Soudan trade. Notwithstanding opposition, Mr. Mackenzie was able to build a castle on the rocks at the agree. Mr. Mackenzie was able to build a castle on the rocks at the entrance of the harbour, and another large house on shore. This was accomplished with the consent of the natives and Chief, who ceded to him the port and the surrounding land for ever. Spain, anxious to thwart these operations, took possession of five hundred miles of coast to the south of Cape Juby; but the natives killed many of the coast to the south of Cape Judy; but the natives killed many of the settlers, and the whole project was a failure. The trading operations at Cape Juby have suffered considerably from the opposition of the Moorish Sultan, and lately one of the managers at Cape Juby was killed. In consequence of their appeals for help Mr. Mackenzie consented to visit the place again, with a view to endeavour to readjust relations with the natives and reorganise the place. He left England on the 2nd of August, accompanied by Colonel Baron left England on the 2nd of August, accompanied by Colonel Baron Lahure, of the Belgian Royal Army, and Lieutenant Fourcault, of the Belgian Navy. These gentlemen reached Cape Juby on the 5th of September, and they were able, with Mr. Mackenzie, to make journeys to various places in the neighbourhood. In order to overcome all the difficulties by which the settlement at Cape Juby is surrounded, Mr. Mackenzie proposes to incorporate a large company, which would take over Cape Juby, and, with the native Chiefs, protect the whole country, and without delay onen up direct intercourse tect the whole country, and without delay open up direct intercourse with the Western Soudan through a healthy district. He hopes in this way to make Cape Juby a prosperous settlement, and bring the interior under the influence of commerce and civilisation. During Baron Lahure's stay at Cape Juby he made numerous sketches, three of which we engrave.

"The Port of Cape Juby with Castle and Shore."—This Castle, which is a very substantial building, was commenced in 1880, and completed in 1882. It is a spendid place of defence as well and complete in 1882. It is a spendid place of defence as well and complete in 1882. It is a spendid place of defence as well and complete in 1882. It is a spendid place of defence as well and the state of the as a residence; the shore house is also a strong building usel for trading operations. The centre engraving represents the projected town of Tarfaya, which Mr. Mackenzie proposes to build at Cape Juby. A battery will be built at the entrance of the harbour, with a long mole or sea-wall on the top of the reef, which will improve the port to such an extent that it will be as secure as a dock

prove the port to such an extent that it will be as secure as a dock for vessels. The proposed town will be surrounded by a wall like all Eastern towns. It will have the advantage of an excellent supply of water, and its genial and salubrious climate should attract many Europeans as well as native traders.

"Sahara, Delta of the Saghiet El Hamra."—The Great Delta of the Saghiet El Hamra was visited by Mr. Mackenzie and Baron Lahure, accompanied by some friends. This is a great branch of the Wadi Draa, which takes its rise in the Atlas Mountains. It runs to the south, passing near Tendouf: it then turns to the west, and to the south, passing near Tendouf; it then turns to the west, and reaches the Atlantic Ocean sixty miles south of Cape Juby, it is about three miles wide and about 200 feet deep, lying between it and the coast; there are several very deep depressions covered with salt which seem at one time to have been submerged by the set.

The lowest engraving represents Mr. Donald Mackenzie, Baron Labure Lieut Rousseult and the set of the s Lahure, Lieut. Fourcault, and their companions making a journey of camels to examine the country near Cape Juby, which, although without settled inhabitants, is very fertile and might all be brought under cultivation.—The portraits of Mr. Donald Mackenzie, Barou Lahure, and Lieutenant Fourcault are from photographs.

THE SEASON AT BRIGHTON

NOT "the" season this time. Even at Brighton the weather is not warm enough in October to tempt one into the sea. The machines have long since been drawn up high and dry, and the favourite occupation of some of the visitors is with them departed. It is a curious pastime, this, of watching the bathers; yet it is one. It is a curious pastime, this, of watching the bathers; yet it is one at it is a curious pastime, this, of watching the bathers; yet it is one. It is a curious pastime, this, and dry, warm and comfortable; am I," thinks the onlooker, "high and dry, warm and comfortable; and there is poor Jones, vainly endeavouring to swim with one leg on the ground, and telling Brown, who lingers on the steps of the machine, that it is 'qui-ite w-w-warm,' while Mrs. J., hanging on machine, that it is 'qui-ite w-w-warm,' while Mrs. J., hanging on that rope, is jumping up and down as if she were a marioute. But, whatever the reason, the fact remains, and in Mr. Bares's picture we may see Jew and Gentile, old maids and young maidens, alike enjoying the curious spectacle. ous spectacle. alike enjoying the c

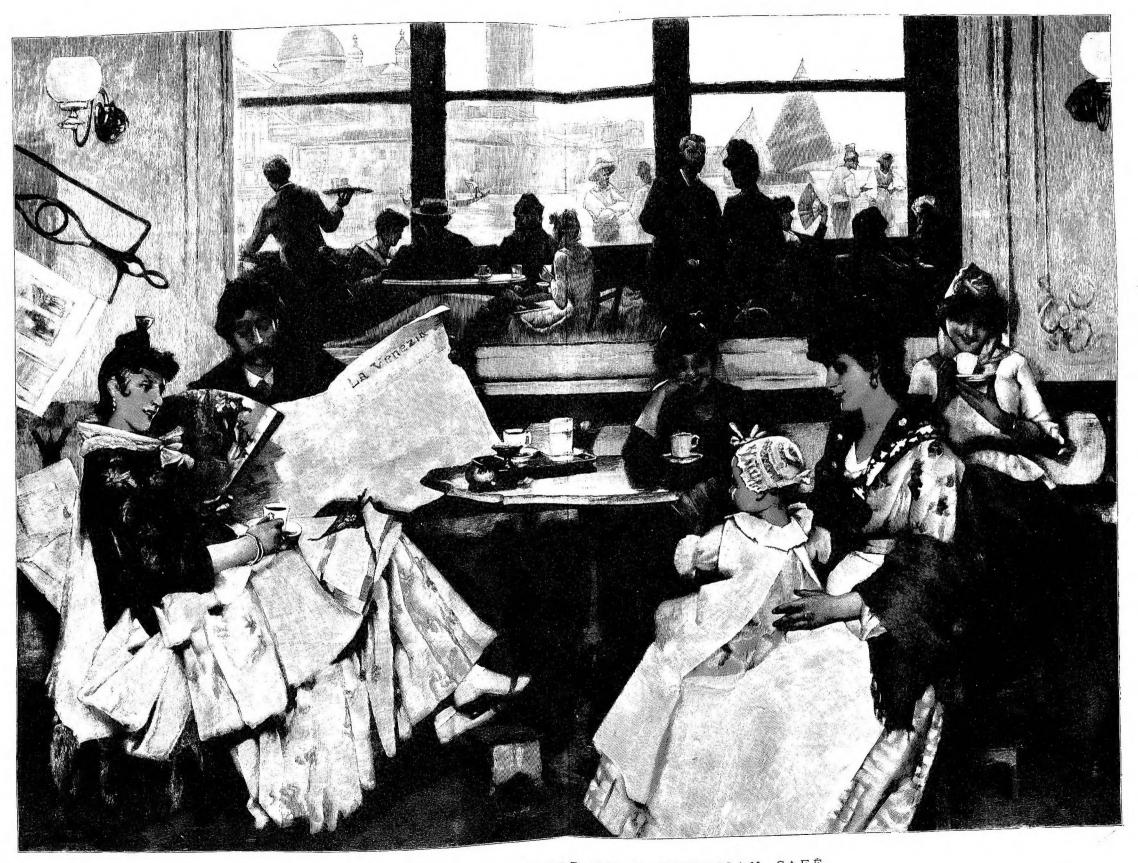
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CONVICT LIFE IN WORMWOOD SCRUBS, V. See pp. 544, 545.

THE TERRIER'S STRATAGEM

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THOSE who deny to dogs the possession of reason must admit that instinct is often hardly distinguishable from the higher quality. The instinct is often hardly distinguishable from the higher quality. The instinct is often hardly distinguishable from the higher quality. The instinct is often hardly distinguishable from the higher quality. The just a most Machiavellian animal time to the fox which robbed the crow, he played upon his victim's vanity. He guessed that Rock, in his belief that nothing could go no properly without him would for a moment forget his habitual training. vanity. He guessed that Rock, in his belief that nothing coursely without him, would for a moment forget his habitual Scotch caution, and drop his prize; and, as we see, his calculations were eminently successful. But we pity Bimbo if Rock gets chance to pay off his old score, for dogs are sometimes revengence as well as wily. We know of a case in which one dog, jealous of the attentions paid to another, deliberately drowned it.



FESTA, THE INTERIOR OF A VENETIAN CAFÉ

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"FESTA"

VENICE, the unique, with its seventy-two islands, its network of canals, its ghostly gondolas, and its picturesque buildings, has, from time immemorial, been a favourite haunt for the artist fraternity. But whereas in former years painters devoted themselves chiefly to depicting the architectural glories of the Queen of the Adriatic, of late the human life of the canal-ridden city, under the influence and example of such men as Eugene de Blaas, Van Haanen, and Henry Woods, has exercised a still greater attraction. To this school belongs Mr. Melton Fisher's "Festa, The Interior of a Venetian Caffé," which was recently exhibited at the Royal Academy, and are engraving of which we have placed before our readers. The full title exactly explains the scope of the picture. It is not the everyday aspect of the café which is represented, but the holiday aspect, when more of the feminine and of the domestic element is present than on ordinary occasions. Those who know Venice will agree that Mr. Fisher has gone to Nature for his dramatis personæ; they are genuine Venetian types.

"THE SILENT FRENCHMAN."—A correspondent sends us the following extract from a contemporary:—"A curious incident in journalism happened on Friday last. An article appeared in The Graphic entitled, "The Silent Frenchman and the Vivacious German"—a bold title, but one apparently justified. On the same day the Times printed a lengthy review of Arthur Young's travels in France in 1787, 1788, and 1789, and notes that there must have been 'one great change in manners' since those days. 'He (Young) complains continually of the unsociability and reserve of the taciturn company at public tables. With twenty or thirty at table there was no general talk, and everybody was inclined to mistrust a stranger.' 'Assuredly,' says the Times reviewer, 'nowaday's there is no room for complaint of the kind when Frenchmen, and especially the commis voyageurs, come together in some provincial hotel;' but this is exactly the complaint of the writer, J. B.,' in The Graphic; and, most strangely, it is of the provincial hotels and the commis voyageurs that he most complains. In fact, the writer of 1889 uses almost the same words as did Young in 1789 to describe the silent Frenchman. Probably the effect is from the same cause—the anxious times, when each man is inclined to distrust a stranger. But it is certainly a curious and striking coincidence that the two articles should have appeared on the same day."



Political.—There was a great display of political oratory on Tuesday, Lord Hartington speaking at Wolverhampton, the Chancellor of the Exchequer at Hull, Mr. Chamberlain at Birmingham, Mr. John Morley at Bristol, and Lord Ripon at Selby. Lord Hartington referred indignantly to such promises made by anti-Unionist leaders as Sir W. Harcourt's to the Welsh Liberationists, that they should have Disestablishment in Wales if they would support Home Rule for Ireland. The holding out of "baits and bribes" was, he said, to import into what ought to be the highest regions of political statesmanship all the arts of the logroller and the wire-puller.—Mr. Goschen replied to the boasts of the anti-Unionists respecting some of the results of recent by-elections, that during the last nine of these the Unionists had polled 32,000 odd votes against 27,500 Gladstonian votes. He made a novel and telling point when alluding to Mr. Gladstone's remark at Southport on the danger to European peace arising out of the disturbances in Crete. Turkey, Mr. Goschen said, had done for Crete exactly what Mr. Gladstone wishes to see done for Ireland; the Sultan had given Crete Home Rule, the only the remaining between it and Turkey being that of a Turkish Governor-General, and the payment of a tribute to the Turkish exchequer. It was not the oppression of Turkey that produced the Cretin disturbances, but a conflict between men of different races and creeds which had necessitated the despatch of an Imperial army to quell them.—Mr. Chamberlain explained the steps being taken to terminate the misunderstanding between Liberal Unionists and Conservatives in Central Birmingham, and said that during the whole of his political experience, by-elections had always gone against the Government which happened to be in existence.—Mr. Morley could find no more effective reply to the demand for a disclosure of the new Gladstonian scheme of Home Rule—which, after three years of incubation, must surely have been hatched by this time—than the assertion that the fr

MISCELLANEOUS SPEECHES,—Opening the new reading and recreation rooms of an Institute at Saltney, a suburb of Chester, Mr. Glad-tone delivered himself of a discursive address, in which comparatively little was said about reading and recreation, and a great deal about what had been done for the working classes since the chil shood of the speaker. At the same time Mr. Gladstone incidentally dropped a remark tending to neutralise the impression, which much of the speech might have produced, that before his appearance in the world the History of England was a blank. "Do not," he said, "believe the people who tell you that the English Constitution began in the year 1800. It is as old as the hills. I shall not be charged with immoderate language if I say that it is about a thousand, or certainly five or six hundred, years since your English forefathers developed those grand fundamental ileas which now constitute the basis of English liberty."—Lord Derby when delivering the prizes gained at the Ormskirk Grammar School, which has been of late years so reorganised as to make it what he called "popular in the best sense of the word," remarked that while the upper classes have a system of education which suits them, and the children of the poor are better instructed than ever they were before, our weak point in educational matters is admitted on all hands to be the want of good secondary or middle-class teaching.—At the opening meeting in Edinburgh of the Second Congress for the Advancement of Art and its Application to Industry, its President, the Marquis of Lorne, delivered a very interesting address, in the course of which he held out as worthy of imitation the course pursued by the Municipality of Paris in the pen ling very large sums yearly in decorating their public buildings with historical and national pictures. When, he asked, shall we hear of a Scottish baillie rising in his place in council and moving, as a matter of course, that sums be given to our own people to decorate our public places?

THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL, at their usual weekly meeting on Tuesday, approved of the report of the Finance Committee,

recommending the creation of a stock of a million sterling at 2½ per cent. interest, 88 per 100 being the minimum price at which tenders for it will be received.—In regard to the application to Parliament for powers to widen the Strand, &c., already agreed to by the Council, as previously detailed in this column, a resolution was adopted, partly with a view to preserve the Church of St. Mary-le-Strand, making that application to include one for powers to the Council to acquire the land and buildings on the north frontage of Holywell Street, with sufficient land and buildings on the north side of the church, and a portion of the enclosure at its west end, so as to form a practicable roadway with suitable frontage.

the north side of the church, and a portion of the enclosure at 11s west end, so as to form a practicable roadway with suitable frontage. IRELAND ——Mr. Parnell's new Tenants' Defence Association was inaugurated on Monday at Thurles, in Tipperary. In a speech full of the usual abuse of Mr. Balfour and Mr. Smith Barry, the Chairman, Mr. Sexton, M.P., affirmed that the new organisation was to employ only "legal means." Tenants evicted for any cause were to be supported out of a fund raised by a levy of at least 3d. in the pound on the Poor Law valuation of each subscribing tenant's holding. Among the speakers was Dr. Tanner, M.P., who had just been released from Clonmel Gaol. He appeared to be in robust health, and was in full possession of his beard.—On Tuesday, the very day on which Mr. John Morley, at Bristol, was denouncing the procedure of the Irish Executive in the matter of the trial of the men charged with causing the death of Inspector Martin at Gweedore, nine of Mr. Morley's injured clients pleaded guilty to the charge of mansiaughter, and Father M'Fadden, another of the alleged victims of Mr. Balfour's tyranny, at whose door the ill-fated Inspector Martin was murdered, pleaded guilty to the charge of obstructing the police.—At Tralee the Judge congratulated the Grand Jury on the improved tranquillity of Kerry, formerly one of the most disturbed of Irish counties. During the corresponding quarter of 1888, twenty-three persons were boycotted in this district; in the present quarter, only two.

JOTTINGS. — By the gracious permission of the Queen, Constitution Hill has been opened to the public for light vehicular traffic.—The South London Tramway Company have offered their malcontent conductors and drivers several important concessions, one of which would, in many cases, effect a reduction of nearly three hours in the working-day.—A movement is being started to institute some "practical memorial" in honour of the memory of John Howard the philanthropist, the hundredth anniversary of whose death occurs on January 20th, 1890.

OUR OBITUARY includes the death, in his seventy-first year, of Lord Teynham, at one time a prominent advocate of Parliamentary Reform and the Ballot; in his ninety-fifth year of Lieutenant-Colonel Basil Jackson, one of the four survivors of the Battle of Waterloo, at which he was present on the head-quarters' Staff—subsequently, for twenty years, Professor of Military Surveying in the East India College at Addiscombe; of Deputy-Surgeon Thomas G. Hewlett, whose latest services were those of Sanitary Commissioner of the Bombay Presidency; in his eighty-second year, of Mr. Charles H. Lattimore, who was associated with Richard Cobden and John Bright as a pioneer of the Free Trade movement; of Mr. William Burgess, one of our foremost pisciculturists, founder and proprietor of the Midland Counties Fish Culture Establishment; in his seventy-fifth year, of Mr. William Westgarth, author of several works on the Australian Colonies, among them the "History of Victoria;" in his forty-third year, of Mr. Arthur Stocks, a well-known artist and frequent contributor to the exhibitions of the RoyalAcademy; in his seventy-seventh year, of Mr. Percival Leigh, a contributor to Punch from almost the commencement until his death, and author of "Mr. Pips, His Diary," the "Comic Latin Grammar," the "Comic English Grammar," &c.



THE PRIMATE concluded his second Visitation of the Canterbury Diocese by delivering at Croydon an address on Lay Work, in the course of which he repudiated as a misconception the notion that a lay Church worker should be as much a clergyman as possible, and be authorised to read such portions of the Church Service as the Litany. At a subsequent luncheon the Archbishop spoke of the desirability of providing, especially in towns, some sort of quiet amusement for boys and girls after they had left school. Innocent amusement, he said, was undoubtedly a great counteracting power to the evils of the present day.

THE BISHOP OF PETERBOROUGH, summing up a discussion on Socialism, while presiding at the Diocesan Conference at Leicester, observed that many of its advocates, while holding doctrines which were very dangerous, ought to be fully credited with nobility of motive and tenderness of sympathy with suffering. Christianity, however, he added, made no claim to rearrange the economic relations of men in the State and in society. It was his firm belief that any Christian State carrying out in all its relations the Sermon on the Mount could not exist for a week, which rather striking thesis he proceeded to illustrate in detail.

THE BISHOP OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL, in his Charge at the Triennial Visitation of his Diocese gave a succinct account of the results which modern advanced criticism of the authorship and date of composition of the books of the Old Testament claims to have established. While treating them as in the main "rash assumptions," the Bishop said that they would not be without some measure of usefulness in stimulating a more careful study of the Old Testament and in necessitating the acquisition of a competent knowledge of the language in which it is written.

THE BISHOP OF ST. ALBANS announced to his Diocesan Conference that, having reached fourscore years, he felt it his duty to retire.—The St. David's Diocesan Conference have approved of a proposal to constitute a new See, to be called Brecon and Swansea, to have an endowment of 2,000/. a year, with episcopal jurisdiction over the present Archdeaconry of Brecon and the Deaneries of Gower. Towards the required amount sums equivalent to 1,400/. per annum have been promised, and the Bishop of St. David's intends devoting part of his income to the same object.

WITHIN the memory of middle-aged persons Hornsey has grown from a rural hamlet into a populous suburb. The old familiar ivy-covered church is about to be replaced by a new building which was to be consecrated this day (Saturday) by the Bishop of London. It will seat 1,250 persons, and has cost 15,000/., of which 10,000/. has already been subscribed, Lord Magheramorne and Mr. G. Attenborough being among the principal donors. The pulpit has been erected by parishioners and friends as a special memorial of Canon Harvey and his wife. The Canon was Rector of Hornsey for more than fifty years, and was respected and beloved by every one with whom he came in contact.

MANCHESTER NEW COLLEGE, an institution of Unitarian origin, has been transferred to Oxford, and has been opened in that former stronghold of orthodoxy. The Master of Balliol, Professor Jowett, was one of those present on the occasion. Dr. James Drummond delivered the inaugural address, in which he referred to

the College as "an open Faculty of Theology," and pleaded for the extension to theological inquiry of the freedom which in everything else was acknowledged to be the condition of progress.

THE "NONCONFORMIST" gives the text of an address, with the subsequent discussion, of a paper read at one of the sectional meetings of the Congregational Union at Hull, advocating "free and unappropriated sittings" in Nonconformist places of worship. The system of fixed pew-rents was generally condemned by the speakers.



The Turf.—Primrose Day maintained her place at the nead of the Cambridgeshire quotations up to the fall of the flag, but at no time was she a great public favourite. There was not much popular disappointment, then, when she was soon seen to be beaten. It was soon seen, moreover, that, barring accidents, Mr. Hammond's Laureate must win, and so it proved. Mr. M'Calmont's new purchase, Claribelle, was second, and Captain L. H. Jones's Theophilus third. The value of the stakes was only 1,310/l, but Mr. Hammond and his connections are said to have taken 60,000/l out of the Ring. The only other event of importance on this day (Thursday last week) was the Cheveley Stakes, in which Signorina, with 100 to I laid on her, made an example of her solitary opponent, Messilina. The Free Handicap Sweepstakes was set for decision on the following day. It had been hoped that in this event Amphion and Donovan would meet, but the Duke of Portland's "crack" was scratched. As it turned out, however, Amphion could not give the weight away, and the race fell to the Duke of Westminster's Ormuz. Fred Barrett did two fine pieces of riding on this day. In the Houghton Stakes he brought Baron de Rothschild's Vermillon with a rush, and just made a dead-heat of it with the Duke of Westminster's Blue-Green, ridden by his brother George; and in the Free Handicap he landed the game little Semolina a clever winner from Formidable and Margarine. The stakes were worth 375/L, and this victory brought the Duke of Portland's winnings during this year and last to six pounds over the hundred thousand.

There was some unimportant racing at Gosforth Park this week; and also at Croydon, where, by the by, the authorities have succeeded in persuading the Surrey County Council to reconsider the question of their licence.

FOOTBALL.—Preston North End have fallen from their high estate. We chronicled in our last issue their defeat by Derby County, and since then they have succumbed twice more—to Notts Forest, and (in a League match, too!) to Wolverhampton Wanderers. No doubt they will improve again later on, but at present they are certainly not the North Enders of old. In the other League matches Blackburn Rovers inflicted a heavy defeat upon Burnley, West Bromwich Albion had to give in to their old rivals Aston Villa, and Accrington and Everton played a draw.—In the Association Cup matches decided on Saturday, Swifts beat Casuals, who had earlier in the week succumbed to Cambridge University; Clapton beat Rochester, and Crusaders Old St. Mark's; while, after two hours' play, Old Brightonians and Old Etonians were unable to arrive at a definite result.—Rugbywise, Blackheath and Liverpool were equally unsuccessful in their brief tours North and South respectively. The Londoners were defeated by Bradford and Halifax, the Liverpudlians by Richmond and Oxford University. The Dark Blues have also defeated East Sheen. Leeds St. John, in their Irish tour, were defeated by Dublin University, but beat Lansdowne.—Following an example extensively set in the North, the Evening News and Post now publishes on Saturday nights a special football edition, giving the results of the matches played that day.

BILLIARDS.—The spot-barred match at the Aquarium last week between Peall and M'Neill was well-contested to the last, but the first-named eventually won by 193 points. This week the players are Cook and Dowland. Roberts's season at the Egyptian Hall began on Monday. Giving North 1,600 in 4,000, spot-barred, he scored somewhat slowly, for him, on Monday; but on Tuesday he was in great form, and with several big breaks, the largest of which was 288, eventually won by 214 points.

MISCELLANEOUS.—There was an amusing scene at the Royal Aquarium on Monday night. Samson, "the strongest man on earth," has a pupil called Cyclops, who performs astonishing feats in the way of lifting heavy dumb-bells, &c., and his master offered to give rool to anyone who should rival his performances. On this occasion a young gentleman accepted the challenge, stepped upon the stage, threw off his evening dress, thereby exhibiting a magnificent physical development, and to Samson's manifest disgust, performed the feats even more easily than Cyclops, and, after some wrangling, secured the rool. This (Saturday) night, the youthful Hercules, who is a Pomeranian, Herr Eugen Sandow, is to antagonise Samson himself.

A WATCH FOR BLIND PEOPLE has been invented in Switzerland. In the middle of every figure is a small peg, which drops when the hour-hand reaches the figure. The owner feels that the peg is down, and counts back to twelve to determine the hour.

LONDON MORTALITY continues low. The deaths last week numbered 1,310, being a decrease of 100 and 355 below the average, while the death-rate went down to 157 per 1,000. Scarlet-fever and diphtheria continue the most prevalent diseases, and the fatal cases of the former rose to 27 (an increase of 2), while those of the latter declined to 37 (a fall of 4). There were 22 deaths from whooping-cough (a decrease of 4), 21 from enteric fever (a rise of 10), 17 from measles (a decline of 6), 15 from diarrhœa and dysentery (a fall of 7), and 1 from typhus. The fatal cases of diseases of the respiratory organs decreased to 281 from 300, and were 125 below the average. Different forms of violence caused 49 deaths, of which 40 resulted from accident or negligence, 6 were suicides and 3 murders. There were 2,580 births registered, being an advance of 62, but 287 below the normal return.

GLOWWORMS.—The last few warm and moist nights have brought out the glowworms in hundreds along the hedgerows near Storrington, Sussex. The wingless female of this interesting species of Lampyris has the power of increasing or decreasing the intensity of the phosphorescent glow emitted from the last four sections of the abdomen, and it is generally supposed the winged male, when flying about in search of a mate, is thus attracted by the light. This light, when examined in the spectroscope, shows a continuous spectrum, without lines, and if the glow-bearing abdomen is separated from the body, it continues to emit light, not only in gases that will not support combustion, as carbon-dioxide, hydrogen, nitrogen, &c., but even in vacuo. The light-bearing insects of India, Mexico, and Brazil, as the firefly and lantern-bearer, are frequently used by the ladies of those countries as ornaments in their head-dresses; but we hope the British Lampyris noctifuca will not be made use of in a similar way by our fair ones.



DR. JAMES PRESCOTT JOULE Born December 24, 1818. Died October 11, 1889



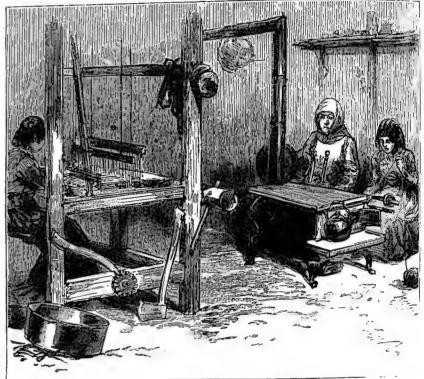
SIR DANIEL GOOCH Chairman of the Great Western Railway Born August 24, 1816. Died October 15, 1889



MR. GERALD LODER Conservative M.P. for Brighton



LORD STANLEY AND HIS FAMILY IN A DRAWING-ROOM CAR ON THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY



"THE CROFTER QUESTION"—INTERIOR OF A CROFTER'S HUT, NEAR SALTCOTS, NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES



THE ARRIVAL OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN WINNIPEG—"ON THE THRESHOLD OF THE NEW WEST"

THROUGH THE "NEW WEST"—A TOUR WITH THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA OVER THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY



DRAWN BY W. SMALL

He knew a good many of the people in this slow-moving assemblage.

PRINCE FORTUNATUS" "THE NEW

BY WILLIAM BLACK,

AUTHOR OF "A PRINCESS OF THULE," "MACLEOD OF DARE," &C.

CHAPTER XVI. AN AWAKENING

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AND IN is a dreary-looking city on a Sunday morning, especially Sunday morning in November; people seem to know how the hours are going to be, and lie in bed as long as they ally can; the teeming and swarming capital of the world looks in had suddenly grown lifeless. When Lionel got up, there is sort of yellow darkness in the air; hardly a single human, was visible in the Green Park over the way; a solitary other, hands deep in the pockets of his overcoat, who wandered along the neglected pavement, had the appearance of having the neglected pavement, had the appearance of having the neglected pavement, had the appearance of having the interest of this young man standing by the French way; a sandar there said into the brain of this young man standing by the French way a yearning to get away from this dark and dismal town—to came before him a vision of clear air, of wind-swept waves, a an after-church promenade of fashionable folk in which he at trecognise the welcome face of many a friend. He looked at watch; there was yet time; he would hurry through his breakand catch the 10.45 to Brighton.

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When he did arrive at Victoria Station he found the people pouring in in shoals; for now was the very height of the Brighton season; lesides which there were plenty of Londoners glad to escape, if tody for a day, from the perpetual fog and gloom. And yet, canoasly enough, although the carriages were being rapidly filled, he took no trouble about securing a seat. After he had gone down the whole length of the train, he turned, and kept watching the new artifuls as them exists the securing a seat. The time for arrivals as they came through the distant gate. The time for

departure was imminent; but he did not seem anxious about getting to Brighton. And at last his patience, or his obstinacy, was rewarded; he saw two figures—away along there—that he instantly recognised; even at a greater distance he could have told that one of these was Honnor Cunyngham, for who else in all England walked like that? The two ladies were unattended by either man or maid; and as they came along they seemed rather concerned at the crowded condition of the train. Lionel walked quickly forward to meet them. There was no time for the expression of surprise on their part—only for the briefest greeting.

"I must try to get you seats, said he, "but the train appears to be very full, and the guards are at their wits' end. I say!" he called to a porter. "Look here; this train is crammed, and the people are pouring in yet: what are they going to do?"

"There's a relief train, sir," said the porter, indicating a long row of empty carriages just across the platform.

"You are sure these are going?"

"Yes, sir."

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The man looked doubtful; but Lioner soon settled that matter by The man looked doubtful; but Lionel soon settled that matter by taking the two ladies along to a Pullman car where the conductor at once allowed them to pass. It is true that as soon as the public outside perceived that these empty carriages were also going, they took possession without more ado; but in the mean time Lionel and his two companions had had their choice of places, so that they were seated together when the train started.

"It was most fortunate we met you." Lady Cunyagham said.

"It was most fortunate we met you," Lady Cunyngham said, bending very friendly eyes on the young man. "I do so hate a crowded train: it happens so seldom in travelling in England that one is not used to it. Are you going down to Brighton for any time. Mr. Moore?"

time, Mr. Moore? said Honnor Cunyngham, almost reproachfully, "you

forget what Mr. Moore's engagements are."
"Yes," said he, with a smile, "it is rather a cruel question. My glimpses of the sea and sky are few and far between. The heavens that I usually find over my head are made of canvas; and the

that I usually find over my head are made of canvas; and the country scenes I wander through are run on on wheels."

"But don't you think," said Miss Honnor to him (and it seemed so cheerful to be away from the London gloom, and out here in the clearer air: to find himself sitting so near this young lady, able to regard her dress, listening to her voice, sometimes venturing to meet the straightforward glance of her calm eyes—all this was a meet the straightforward glance of her calm eyes—all this was a wondrous and marvellous thing), "don't you think you enjoy

getting away from town all the more keenly? I shall never forge you in Strathaivron: you were never bored like some of the other gentlemen.'

"Each and every day was one to be marked by a white stone," he said, with an earnestness hardly befitting railway-carriage con-

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"The wet ones, too?" she asked, pleasantly.

"Wet or dry, what was the difference?" he made bold to say.

"What did I care about the rain if I could go down to the Aivron or away up to the Geinig with you and old Robert?"

"You certainly were very brave about it," she said, in the most friendly way; "you never once grumbled when the sandwiches got damp—not once."

And so the three of them kept gaily and carelessly talking and

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And so the three of them kept gaily and carelessly talking and chatting together, as the long train thundered away to the south; while ever and anon they could turn their eyes to that changing phantasmagoria of the outer world that went whirling by the windows. It was rather a wild-looking day, sometimes brightening with a wan glare of sunlight, but more often darkening until the country looked like a French landscape, in its sombre tones of grey and black and green. Yet nevertheless there was a sort of picturesqueness in the brooding sky, the russet woods, the purple hedges, and the new-ploughed furrows; while now and again a distant mansion, set on a height, shone a fair yellow above its terraced lawn. Scattered rooks swept down the wind and settled in a field. The moorhens had forsaken the ruffled water of the ponds, and lawn. Scattered rooks swept down the white tall settled in a licit. The moorhens had forsaken the ruffled water of the ponds, and sought shelter among the withered sedge. Puffs of white steam from the engine flew across and were lost in the leafless trees. Embankments suddenly showed themselves high in the air, and as suddenly dipped again; then there were long stretches of coppice, with red bracken, and a sprinkling of gold on the oaks. To Lionel and the state of the leaflest of the leaflest of the leaflest of the law of with red bracken, and a sprinkling of gold on the oaks. To Lionel the time went by all too quickly: before he had half said all he wanted to say, behold! here they were at Preston Park.

"You are at least remaining over until to-morrow?" Lady

Cunyngham asked of him.

"Well, no," said he, "I did not think of coming down until this morning, and so I had made no arrangements. I should think it hardly likely there would be a vacant bedroom at the Orleans Club at this time force, no in any case I must get back by the 8.40 to night." this time of year—no, in any case, I must get back by the 8.40 to-night."

"And in the meantime," she asked again, "have you any engagement?"

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"None. I dare say I shall have a stroll along the sea-front, and then drop in for lunch to the Orleans."

"You might as well come down now and lunch with us," said

she, simply.

Lionel's face brightened up amazingly: he had been looking forward to saying good-bye at the station with anything but joy.

"I should be delighted—if I am not in the way," was his prompt

answer.

"Oh, Honnor and I are entirely by ourselves at present," said this elderly lady with the silver-white hair. "We are expecting Lady Adela and her sisters this week, however; and perhaps my son will come down later on."

"Are they back from Scotland?"

"They arrive to-morrow, I believe."
"And Lady Adela's novel?"
"Oh, I don't know anything about that," said she, with a goodamoured smile. "Surely she can't have written another novel humoured smile.

already!"
When they got in to the station, a footman was awaiting them, When they got in to the station, a footman was awaiting them, but they had no bags or baggage of any description; they walked a little way along the platform and entered the carriage; presently they were driving away down to the sea-front. What Honnor Cunyngham thought of the arrangement, it is impossible to say; but the invitation was none of her giving; no doubt it was merely a little compliment in acknowledgement of Mr. Moore's kindness of the preceding night. However, when the barouche pulled up in front of a house in Adelaide Crescent, Mr. Moore had his own proposal to make.

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"It seems so pleasant down there," said he, looking towards the wide stretches of greensward and the promenade along the sea-wall, where the people, just come out of church, were strolling to and fro; "every one appears to be out—don't you think we should have a little walk before going in?"

Honnor Cunyngham said nothing; it was her mother who at once and good-naturedly assented; and when they had descended from the carriage they forthwith made their way down to mix in this idle throng. It was quite a bright and pleasant morning here—a stiff south-westerly breeze blowing—a considerably heavy sea thundering in and springing with jets of white spray into the air—the sunlight shining along the yellow houses of Brunswick Terrace where there were cheerful bits of green here and there in the balconies. Then the crowd was rather more gaily dressed than an English crowd usually is; for women allow themselves a little more latitude in the way of colour during the Brighton season; and on such a morning way of colour during the Brighton season; and on such a morning there was ample excuse for a display of sunshades. And was it merely a wish to breathe the fresh-blowing wind and to listen to the hissing withdrawal and recurrent roar of the waves that had induced Lionel to ask his two companions to join in this slow march up and Young men have their little vanities and weaknesses, like k. Rumour had on more than one occasion coupled his other folk. name with that of some fair damsel: what if he were to say now—Well, if you will talk, here is one worth talking about. He wa Well, if you will talk, here is one worth talking about. He was conscious on this shining morning that Miss Cunyngham—the more beautiful daughter of a beautiful mother—was looking superb: he remembered what Miss Georgie had said about Honnor's proud and graceful carriage. He knew a good many of the people in this slow-moving assemblage; and he was not sorry they should see him talking to this tall and handsome young Englishwoman—who, also, appeared to have a numerous acquaintanceship.

"Why, you seem to know everybody, Mr. Moore!" she said to him, with a smile.

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"You would think all London was here this morning—it's really astonishing!" he made answer.

Occasionally they stopped to have a chat with more particular friends; and then Lionel would remain a little bit aside; though once or twice Lady Cunyngham chose to introduce him, and that pleased him, he hardly knew why. But at last she said—
"Well, I think we must be getting home. Properly speaking we have no right to be in the l'rayer-Book Brigade at all, for we have not been to church this morning."

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Not unlikely the squire of these two ladies was rather loth to leave this gay assemblage; but he was speedily consoled, for to his inexpressible joy he found, when they got indoors, that there was no one else coming to lunch—these three were to be quite by themselves. And of what did they not talk during this careless, protracted, idling meal! Curiously enough, it was Nina, not Miss Burgoyne, who appeared to have chiefly impressed the two visitors on the preceding evening; and when Lady Cunyngham discovered that she was an old companion and fellow-student of Lionel's, she was much interested, and would have him tell her all about his was much interested, and would have him tell her all about his experiences of Naples. And again Miss Honnor recurred to the

experiences of Naples. And again Miss Honnor recurred to the difference between amateur and professional acting that seemed to have struck her so forcibly the previous night.

"Really, Mr. Moore," said she, "you must have an astonishing amount of good nature and tolerance. If I had complete command of any art, and saw a band of amateurs attemping something in it, and not even conscious of their own amateurishness, I don't know whether I should be more inclined to laugh or to be angry. I used to be amused, up there in Strathaivron, with the confidence Georgie Lestrange showed in singing a duet with you—"

"Ah, but Miss Lestrange sings very well," said he. "And, you know, if Lady Adela and her sisters perform a piece like The Chaplet—well. that is a Watteau-like sort of thing—Sèvres china—force

know, if Lady Adela and her sisters perform a piece like The Chaplet—well, that is a Watteau-like sort of thing—Sevres china—force or passion of any kind isn't wanted—it's all artificial, and confessedly so. And then, when the professional actor finds himself acting with amateurs, I dare say he modifies himself a little—" "Becomes an amateur, in short," she said.
"In a measure. Otherwise he would be a regular bull in a china shop. And surely, when you get a number of people in a remote place like Strathaivron, the efforts of amateurs to amuse them should be encouraged and approved. I thought it was very unselfish of them—very kind—though they generally succeeded in sending Lord Fareborough to bed. By the way, Miss Cunyngham, did Lord Fareborough ever get a stag?"

For it was observable that this young man, whenever he got the chance, was anxious to lead away the conversation from the theatre and all things pertaining thereunto, and would rather talk about Strathaivron, and salmon-fishing, and Miss Honnor's plans with regard to the coming year.

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"Oh no," she said, "he never went out but that once, and then the nearly killed himself, according to his own account. We never quite knew what happened; there was some dark mystery that Roderick would't explain; and, you know, Lord Fareborough himself is rather short-tempered. He ought not to have gone out -a man who has imagined himself into that hypochondriacal state. —a man who has imagined filmself into that hypotholathical state. However, it has given him an excuse for thinking himself a greater invalid than ever; and he has got it into his head now that we all of us persuaded him to try a day's stalking—a conspiracy, as it were, to murder him. There was some accident at one of the fords, were, to murder him. There was some accretic at one of the fores, I believe. He came home early. I never heard of his having fired at a stag at all." And then she added, with a smile: "Mr. Moore, what made you send me such a lot of salmon-flies?"

"Oh, well," he said, "I thought you ought to have a good stock." How could be tell her of his vague hope that the John Stock."

Scotts and Silver Doctors might serve for a long time to recall him

to her memory?

"I suppose you have got the stag's head by now?" she asked.
"Oh, yes, indeed; and tremendously proud of it I am," he responded eagerly.
"You know I should never have gone deer-stalking but for you.

I made sure I was going to make a fool of myself

"I remember you were rather sensitive, or anxious not to miss, rhaps?" she said, in a very gentle way. perhaps?" she said, in a very gentle way. "I thought of it again last night, when I saw you so completely master in your own sphere

last night, when I saw you so completely master in your own sphere—so much at home—with everything at your command—"
"Oh, yes, very much at home," he answered her, with just a touch of bitterness. "Perhaps it is easy to be at home—in harle-quinade—though you may not quite like it." And then once more he refused to talk of the theatre. "I am going to send old Robert some tobacco at Christmas," said he.
"I heard of what you did already in that way," she said, smiling. "Do you know that you may spoil a place by your extravagance? I should think all the keepers and gillies in Strathaivron were blessing your name at this very moment."
"And you go up in the Spring, you said?"
"Yes. That is the real fishing-time. My brother Hugh and I have it all to ourselves then: Lady Adela and the rest of them prefer London."
And then it was almost in his heart to cry out to her—May not

And then it was almost in his heart to cry out to her—May not I, too, go up there if but for a single week—for six clear-shining days in the spring-time! Ben More, Suilven, Canisp—oh, to see them once again!—and the windy skies, and Geinig thundering down its rocky chasm, and Aivron singing its morning song along the golden gravel of its shoals! What did he want with any theatre?—with the harlequinade in which he was losing his life? Could he—with the harlequinade in which he was losing his life? Could he not escape? Euston Station was not so far away—and Invershin? It seemed to him as though he had already shaken himself free—that a gladder pulsation filled his veins—that he was breathing a sweeter air. The white April days shone all around him; the silver and purple clouds went flying overhead; here he was by the deep brown pools again, with the grey rocks, and the overhanging birchwoods, and the long shallows filling all the world with that soft, continuous murmur. As for his singing?—oh, yes, he could sing—he could sing, if needs were And then it was almost in his heart to cry out to her-May not

O lang, lang may his lady Look frae the Castle Doune, Ere she see the Earl o' Moray Come sounding through the toon-

—but there is no gaslight here—there are no painted faces—he has not to look on at the antics of a clown, with shame and confusion in

The wild fancy was suddenly snapped in twain: Lady Cunyngham rose; the two younger people did likewise.

"Now I know you gentlemen like a cigar or cigarette after luncheon," she said to Lionel, "and we are going to leave you quite by yourself—you will find us in the drawing-room when you

Of course he would not hear of such a proposal; he opened the por for them, and followed them upstairs. What were cigars or door for them, and followed them upstairs. What were cigars or cigarettes to him when he had such a chance of listening to Honnor Cunyngham's low-modulated voice, or watching for a smile in the calmly observant hazel eyes? Indeed, in the drawing-room, as Miss Honnor showed him a large collection of Assiout ware which Miss Honnor showed him a large collection of Assiout ware which had been sent her by an English officer in Egypt (by what right or title, Lionel swiftly asked himself, had any English officer made bold to send Miss Cunyngham a hamper-full of these red-clay idiotcies?) this solitary guest had again and again to remind himself that he must not outstay his welcome. And yet they seemed to find a great deal to talk about; and the elder of the two ladies was exceedingly kind to him; and there was a singular fascination in his finding himself so entirely en famille with them. But alas! even if he or they had chosen to forget, the early dusk of the November afternoon was a sufficient warning: the windows told him he had to go. And go he did, at last. He bade them goodbye; with some friendly words still dwelling in his ears he made his way down the dim stairs and had the door opened for him; then he found himself in this now empty and hopeless town of then he found himself in this now empty and hopeless town of Brighton, that seemed given over to the low, multitudinous murmur of that wide waste of waves.

He did not go along to the Orleans Club; his heart and brain were too busy to permit of his meeting chance acquaintance. He walked away towards Shoreham, till a smart shower made him turn. When he got back to the town, the lamps were lit, throwing long golden redections on the west acadesia, but the rain busy turn. When he got back to the town, the lamps were lit, throwing long golden reflections on the wet asphalte; but the rain had ceased; so he continued to pace absently along through this blue twilight, hardly noticing the occasional dark figures that passed. What was the reason, then, of this vague unrest—this unknown longing—this d'ssatisfaction and almost despair? Had he not been more fortunate than he could have hoped for? He had met Miss Honnor and her mother in the morning, and had been with them all the way down; they had been most kind to him; he had spent the best part of the day with them; they had parted excellent friends; looking back, he could not recall a single word he would have liked unsaid. Then a happy fancy struck him: the moment he got up to town he would go and seek out Maurice Mangan. There was a wholesome quality in Mangan's saturnine contempt for the non-essential things of life; Mangan's clear penetration, his covert sympathy, his scorn of mock-melancholy would help him to covert sympathy, his scorn of mock-melancholy would help him to

get rid of these vapours. When Lionel returned to town a little after ten o'clock that night he walked along to Mangan's rooms in Victoria Street, and found his friend sitting in front of the fire, alone.

"Glad you've looked in, Linn."
"Well, you don't seem to be busy, old chap: who ever saw you

before without a book or a pipe?"

"I've been musing, and dreaming dreams, and wishing I was a poet," said this tall, thin, languid-looking man, whose abnormally keen grey eyes were now grown a little absent. "It's only a fancy, you know—perhaps something could be made of it by a fellow who could them."

could rhyme

could rhyme——"But what is it?" Lionel interposed.
"Well," said the other, still idly staring into the fire before him,
"I think I would call it 'The cry of the violets'—the violets that are sold in bunches at the head of the Haymarket at midnight. Don't you fancy there might be something in it—if you think of where they come from—the woods and copses—children playing, and all that—and of what they've come to—the gas-glare and drunken laughter and jeers. I would make them tell their own story—I would make them cry to Heaven for swift death and oblivious before the last derived the control of being since since it was the control of the co oblivion before the last degradation of being pinned on to the flaunting dress." And then again he said, "No, I don't suppose This morning, as we were coming back from Winstead church-you know how extraordinarily mild it has been of late, and the lane going down to the church is very well sheltered—I found a couple of violets in at the roots of the hedge—within a few inches of each other, indeed—and I gave them to Miss Francie, and she put them in her Prayer-book and carried them home. I thought the violets would not object to that, if they only knew,"

"So you went down to Winstead this meaning?"

"So you went down to Winstead this morning?"

"And how are the old people?" "Oh, very well." "And Francie?"

"Very busy—and very happy, I think. If she doesn't deserve to be, who does?" he continued, rousing himself somewhat from his absent manner. "I suppose, now, there is no absolutely faultless woman; and yet I sometimes think it would puzzle the most

fastidious critic of human nature to point out any one particular in which Miss Francie could be finer than she is. I think it would. It is not my business to find fault; I don't want to find fault; but I have often thought over Miss Francie—her occupations, her theories, her personal disposition, even her dress—and I've wondered where the improvement was to be suggested. You see, she might be a very good woman, and yet have no sense of humour; she might be a very good woman, and get a little variety of humour; she might be very good woman, and also a little vainglorious about it; she might have very exalted ideas of duty, and be a trifle hard on those who did not come up to her standards: but in Miss Francie's case these did not come up to be put in at all. She always seems to me to be doing the right thing, and just in the right way—with a kind of fine touch that has no namby-pambyness about it. Oh, she can scall them well enough these ships. of fine touch that has no manay-panalyses about it. Oh, she can be firm, too: she can scold them well enough, those children—when she does't laugh and pat them on the shoulder the minute after."

"This is indeed something as coming from you, Maurice!"
Lionel exclaimed. "Has it been left for you to discover an

absolutely perfect human being?"
"It isn't for you to find fault with her anyway," the other said, rather sharply. "She's fond enough of you."

rather sharply. "She's fond enough of you."
"Who said I was finding fault with her?—not likely I am going to find fault with Francie!" Lionel replied, with sufficient good-humour. "Well, now that you have discovered an absolutely faultless creature, you might come to the help of another who is only too conscious that he has plenty of faults, and who is so dissatisfied with himself and his surroundings that he is about sick of life altogether."

Notwithstanding the light tone in which he introduced the sub-ject, Mangan looked up quickly, and regarded the younger man with

those penetrating grey eyes.
"Where have you been to-day, Linn?"
"Brighton."

"Among the dukes and duchesses again? Ah, you needn't be angry—I respect as much as anybody those whom God has placed over us—I haven't forgotten my Catechism—I can order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters. But tell me what the matter is. You sick of life?—I wonder what the gay world of London would think of that!"

And therewithal Lionel is a company.

And therewithal Lionel, in a somewhat rambling and incoherent fashion, told his friend of a good many things that had happened to him of late—of his vague aspirations and dissatisfactions—of Miss Cunyngham's visit to the theatre, and his disgust over the musichall clowning—of his going down to Brighton that day, and his wish to stand on some other footing with those friends of his: winding up by asking, to Mangan's surprise, how long it would take to study for the bar and get called, and whether his training—the confidence

for the bar and get called, and whether his training—the confidence acquired on the stage—might not help in addressing a jury.

"So the idol has got tired of being worshipped," Mangan said at last. "It is an odd thing. I wonder how many thousands of people there are in London—not merely shop-girls—who consider you the most fortunate person alive—in whose imagination you loom larger than any saint or soldier, any priest or statesman of our own time. And I wonder what they would say if they bear you were which. And I wonder what they would say if they knew you were thinking of voluntarily abdicating so proud and enviable a position. Well, well!—and the reason for this sacrifice? Of course you know it is a not uncommon thing for women to give up their carriages and luxuries and fine living, and go into a retreat, where they have to sweep out cells, and even keep strict silence for a week at a time, which I suppose is a more difficult business. The reason in their which I suppose is a more difficult business. The reason in their case is clear enough; they are driven to all that by their spiritual needs; they want to have their souls washed clean, by penance and self-denial. But you," he continued—in no unfriendly mood, but with his usual uncompromising sincerity—" whence comes your renunciation? It is simply that a woman has turned your head. You want to find yourself on the same plane with her; you want to be socially her equal; and to do that you think you should throw off those theatrical trappings. You see, my dear Linn, if I have remembered my Catechism, you have not: you have forgotten that you must learn and labour truly to get your own living, and do your duty in that state of life unto which it may pleas? God to call you. You want to change your state of life; you want to become a barrister. What would happen? The chances are entirely against your being able to earn your own living—at least for years; but barrister. What would happen? The chances are entirely against your being able to earn your own living—at lea-t for years; but what is far more certain is that your fashionable friends—whose positions and occupations you admire—would care nothing more about you. You are interesting to them now because you are a favourite of the public, because you play the chief part at the New Theatre. What would you be as a briefless barrister? Who would provide you with salmon-"shing and deer-stalking then? If you appried to marry one of those dames of high degree, what would be provide you with salmon-"shing and deer-stalking then? If you aspired to marry one of those dames of high degree, what would be your claims and qualifications? You say you would almost rather be a gillie in charge of dogs and ponies. A gillie in charge of dogs and ponies doesn't enjoy many conversations with his young mistress; and if he made bold to demand any closer alliance, Pauline would pretty soon have that Claude kicked off the premises—and serve him right. If you had come to me and said, 'I am too well off; I am being spoiled and petted to death; the simplicity and dignity of hie is being wholly lost in all this fashionable flattery, this public notoriety and applause; and to recover myself a little—as a kind of purification—I am going to put aside my trappings; I will go and notoriety and applause; and to recover myself a little—as a kind of purification—I am going to put aside my trappings; I will go and work as a hod-carrier for three months or six months; I will live on the plainest fare; I will bear patiently the cursing the master of the gang will undoubtedly hurl at me; I will live on the plainest food, and sleep on a straw mattress'—then I could have understood that. But what is it you renounce?—and why? You think you would recommend yourself better to your swell friends if you dropped the theatre altogether—." theatre altogether-

recomment yourself better to your swent include Type theatre altogether——."

"Don't you want to hire a hall!" said Lionel, gloomily.

"Oh, nobody likes being preached at less than I do myself," Mangan said, with perfect equanimity, "but you see I think I ought to tell you, when you ask me, how I regard the situation. And mind you, there is something very heroic—very impracticably heroic—but magnanimous all the same—in your idea that you might abandon all the popularity and position you have won as a mere matter of sentiment. Of course you won't do it. You couldn't bring yourself to become a mere noboly—as would happen if you went into chambers and began reading up law books. And you wouldn't be any nearer to salmon-fishing and deer-forests that way; or to the people who possess these by birth and inheritance. The trouble with you, Linn, my boy, as with most of us, is that you weren't born in the purple. It is quite true that if you were called to the bar you could properly claim the title of esquire, and you would find yourself not further down than the hundred and fiftieth or hunfind yourself not further down than the hundred and fiftieth or hunfind the precedence; but if you find yourself not further down than the hundred and fiftieth or hundred and sixtieth section in the tables of precedence; but if you went with this qualification to those fine friends of yours, they would admit its validity, and let may have the care time you were no admit its validity, and let you know at the same time you were no longer interesting to them. Harry Thornhill, of the New Theatre, has a free passport everywhere; Mr. Lionel Moore, of the Middle Temple, wouldn't be more than 1.

Temple, wouldn't be wanted anywhere. You are very worldly-wise to-night, Maurice.

"You are very worldly-wise to-night, Maurice."
"I don't want to see you make a sacrifice that wouldn't bring you what you expect to gain by it," Mangan said. "But, as I say, you won't make any such sacrifice. You have had your brain turned by a pretty pair of eyes—perhaps by an elegant figure—and you have been troubled, and dissatisfied, and dreaming dreams."
"If that is your conclusion and summing up of the whole

"If that is your conclusion and summing up of the whole matter," Lionel said, with studied indifference, "perhaps you will offer me a drink, and I'll have a cigarette, and we can talk about something on which we are likely to account." something on which we are likely to agree.

he went and brought forth what modest stores he had; and he was that the conversation should flow into he went and state the conversation should flow into another quite willing that the conversation should flow into another

And little did Lionel know that at this very moment there was And little did Lionel know that at this very moment there was something awaiting him at his own rooms that would (far more effectually than any reasoning and plain speaking) banish from his effectually than any reasoning and plain speaking) banish from his mind, for the moment at least, all those restless aspirations and wague r.grets. When eventually he arrived in Piccadilly and went vague r.grets, he was not expecting any letters, this being Sunday; and upstairs he was not to table only a small parcel, he would probably as there was on the table only a small parcel, he would probably as there was not expecting the morning (no doubt it was a pair of as there was on the table only a salarit pattern, he would probably have le't that unheeded till the morning (no doubt it was a pair of worked slippers, or a couple of ivory-backed brushes, or something worked slippers, the thetain pressing he happened to the worked supposes, or something of the kind) but that in passing he happened to glance at the note of the kin-t) but that an passing he happened to grance at the note on the top of it, and he observed that the handwriting was foreign. He took it up carelessly, and opened it; his carelessness soon vanished. This message was from Mlle. Girond; and it was in

"DEAR MR. MOORE,
"To day Mrs. Grey and I have called twice at your apartments, but in vain, and now I leave this letter for you. It is frightful, what has happened; Nina has gone, no one knows where; we can hear nothing of her. This morning when I came down to her hear nothing of her. This morning when I came down to her hear nothing of there was a letter for me, one for Mr. Lehmann, one for Miss Constance, asking her to be ready to sing to-morrow ught, another for Mrs. Grey, with money for the apartments until the end of the month, and also there was this little packet for you, wherletter to me she asks me to see them all delivered; during the the end of the month, and also there was this fittle packet for you. Inher letter to me she asks me to see them all delivered; during the night she must have made these arrangements; in the morning she is gone! I am in despair; I know not what to do. Will you have to good during the more was come as possible? is gone! Tam in despair, T know hot have the goodness to come down to-morrow as soon as possible? "Estelle."

And then mech neally he drew a chair to the table, and sat down and pulled the :mill package towards him: perhaps the contents night help to expan this extraordinary thing that had occurred. But the moment that he took the lid off the pasteboard box he was more havillered than ever; for the first glimpse told him that Nina had returned to him all the little presents he had made to her

in careless moments.
"Nina!" he said, under his voice, in a tone of indignant

es here was every one of them, from the enclasped loving-cup tes, here was every one of them, from the enclasped formigraph to the chance trinkets he had purchased for her just as they happened to attract his eye. He took them all out: there was no letter, no message of any kind. And then he asked himself, almost anguly, what sort of mad freat was this. Had the wayward and jetulant Nina—forgetting all the source and gracious demeanour she had been teaching herself since she came to England—had she run arms in a fit of temper, breaking her engagement at the theatre. nad peer teating fields after a first away in a fit of temper, breaking her engagement at the theatre, and causing alarm and anxiety to her friends, all about nothing? For he and she had not quarrelled in any way whatsoever, as far as he knew. One fancy, at least, never occurred to him—or, if it occurred to him, it was dismissed in a moment—that Nina might have had a secret lover—that she had honestly wished to return these presents before making an elopement. It was quite possible that Nicolo Ciana, if he had heard of Nina's success in England, might have pursued her, and sought to marry so very eligible a helpmeet; but if the young man with the greasy hair and the sham jewellery and the falsetto voice had really come to this country, Lionel knew who would have been the first to bid him return to his native shores was word have been the first to but thin tendent to in started and his zuccherelli. Had not Nina indignantly denied that he had ever dared to address her as 'Nenna mia,' or that his perpetual 'Antoniella, Antonià' in any way referred to her? No; Lionel did not think that Nicolo Ciana had much to do with Nina's disappearance.

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And then, as he regarded this little box of useless jewellery, another wild guess flashed through his brain, leaving him somewhat breathless, almost frightened. Was it possible that Nina had mistaken these gifts for love-gifts—had discovered her mistake—and, in a fit of wounded pride, had flung them tack and fled for ever from this England that had deceived her? He was not vain enough to think there could be anything more serious, that Nina might be breaking her heart over what had happened to her; but it was quite enough if he had unconsciously led her to believe that he was paying her attentions. He looked at that loying-cup with he was purying her attentions. He looked at that loving-cup with some pricking of conscience; he had to confess that such a gift was capable or misconstruction. It had never occurred to him that she might regard it as some kind of mute declaration—as a pledge of affection between him and her that necessitated no clearer understanding. He had seen the two tiny goblets in a window; he had been taken by the pretty silver-gilt ornamentation; he had been attention in the old-the-housed custom; and he had lightly imagined a terested in the old-lashioned custom; and he had lightly imagined that Nina would be pleased—that was all. And now that he thought of it, he had to confess he had been indiscreet. It is true he had in the Nina would be proposed to the had been indiscreet. he had given Nina those presents from time to time in a careless and hapha/aid lashion that ought not to have been misunderstood—only, as he had to remind himself, Nina must have perceived that he did as he had to remind himself, Aina must have perceived that he are not give similar presents to Miss Burgoyne, or Estelle Girond, or anylonly else in the theatre. And was Nina now thinking that he had treated her badly?—Nina, who had been always his sympathising triend, his gentle adviser, and kind companion? Was there any one in the world that he less wished to harm? He supposed she must have been anylong when she returned these iewels and gewshe must have been angry when she returned these jewels and gew-gws: clearly she was too proud to send him any other message. And now she would be away somewhere—where he could not get hold or her to pet her into a reconciliation again; no doubt there was some hart feeling of injury in her heart; perhaps she was even

"Poor Nina!" he said to himself (little dreaming of the true state of attairs). "I hope it isn't so; but if it is so, here have I, through more thoughtlessness, wounded her pride, and, what is none, in erered with her professional career.

I suppose she'll go state. through more thoughtlessness, wounded have in erered with her professional career. I suppose she'll go light away back to old Pandiani; and they'll be precious glad to perhaps some the bar success in England. Perhaps some get her now at Malta, after her success in England. Perhaps some day we shall hear of her coming over here again—as a famous star in time of opera; that will be her revenge. But I never thought Nina would want to be revenged on me."

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And yet he was uneasy; there was something in all this he did
not understand; he began to long for the coming of the next day,
that he might go away down to Sloane Street and hear what Miss
Girond had to tell him. Why, for example, he asked himself, had
Mina taken this step so abruptly—so entirely without warning?
How and when had she made the discovery that she had mistaken
the intention of those friendly little acts of kindness and his constant association with her? Then he tried to remember on what
terms he had last parted from her. It was at the theatre, as he stant association with her? Then he tried to remember on what terms he had last partied from her. It was at the theatre, as he patiently summoned up each circumstance. It was at the theatre, on the preceding night. She had come to him in the wings, alsorving that he looked rather vexed, and she had given him comforting and cheerful words, as was her wont. Surely there was no ranger in her mind against him then? But thereafter? Well, he had seen mo more of Nina. When Miss Cunyugham had come behind the scenes, he had forgotten all about Nina. And then suddenly he remembered that he must have been standing close by the prompter's box, absorbed in talking to Miss Cunyugham, when prompter's box, absorbed in talking to Miss Cunyagham, when Nina would have to come up to go on the stage. Had she passed them? Had she suspected? Had she, in her proud an 1 petted

way, resented this intimacy, and resolved to throw back to him the harmless little gifts he had bestowed on her? Poor Nina!—she had always been so wilful—so easily pleased, so easily offended; but of late he had rather forgotten that; for she had been bearing herself with what she regarded as an English manner; and indeed their friendship had been so constant and unvarying, so kind and considerate on both sides, that there had been no opportunity for the half-vexed, half-laughing quarrels of earlier days. He would seek out this spoiled child (he said to himself) and scold her into being good again. And yet, even as he tried to persuade himself that all would still be well, he could not help recalling the fierce vehemence with which Nina had repudiated the suggestion that perhaps she might let some one else drink out of this hapless loving-cup that now lay before him. "I would rather have it dashed to pieces and thrown into the sea!" she had said, with pale face, and quivering lips, and eyes bordering on tears. He remembered that he had been a little surprised at the time—not thinking what it all might mean.

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MR. J. LOGAN LOBLEY, F.G.S., Professor of Physiography and Astronomy, City of London College, has just contributed to our knowledge of the great Neapolitan volcano a work entitled "Mount Vesuvius" (Roper and Drowley), which is a descriptive, historical, and geological account of the volcano and its surroundings. A book bearing a similar title, by the same author, appeared in 1868, but so much has been written on the subject since, that the author finds himself obliged to bring his work up to date, and thus what was a brief sketch is transformed into a formidable and handsome volume. In the interval between 1868 and 1889 much has been done for the elucidation of the problems involved in the earth's MR. J. LOGAN LOBLEY, F.G.S., Professor of Physiography and done for the elucidation of the problems involved in the earth's partial explosiveness. At the beginning of 1860, for example, Professor John Phillips issued "Vesuvius," a work which, while rich in classic poetry and ancient fable, gave an extended account in classic poetry and aucient fable, gave an extended account of the volcano and its surroundings, as well as a history in considerable detail of its eruptive activity to the end of the preceding year. Since then we have the aural and ocular observations of Professor Palmieri, Mr. Mallet's introductory sketch, and Mr. Rodwell's descriptive lectures in *Nature*. There are other recent sources of information. Mr. Lobely has sought to combine all, and to give the latest sources of information on the subject, and to bring down the history of the mountain in a connected form through an interesting twenty years of its existence to the present time. He regards all the explanations of the causes of volcanic activity and its varied phenomena which have been advanced by previous authors as so admittedly unsatisfactory that in the eighth activity and its varied phenomenta with nave constructions authors as so admittedly unsatisfactory that in the eighth chapter of this work he formulates a new hypothesis in explanation of volcinic action, which theory we will not attempt to criticise. It is worth mentioning that in the appendix to "Mount Vesuvius" there are four contemporary accounts of the formation of Monte Nuovo brought together for the first time; the one by Simone Ponzio not having before been published in English. The work is livishly supplied with maps and illustrations. There is that indispensable condition of usefulness and sign of care, a good index. Therefore we have small hesitation in coming to the conclusion that Mr. Lobley's volume will prove acceptable not only to the increasing number of Vesuvians, but to ordinary visitors to the marvellously interesting and attractive Neapolitan volcano.

We can congratulate Mr. J. A. Sparvel Bayly, F.S.A., on the pleasant fashion with which he has brought together odds and ends of research and information in "New Studies in Old Subjects" (Elliot Stock). His book is a neatly-bound, handy-sized collection

of research and information in "New Studies in Old Subjects" (Elliot Stock). His book is a neatly-bound, handy-sized collection of essays, treating of such subjects as "Implements of War," "The Vener.ble Bede," "The Brewer and His Beer," "Mary Stuart," "The Norman Castles," "Old Pipes and Smokers," "Church Bells," and so on. It will not be denied, therefore, that Mr. Bayly ranges over a wide field. We begin to doubt whether we have gained much by the introduction of repeating rifles when we are informed on the word of a great military authority, quoted by Mr. Bayly, that an English archer, who in a single minute was unable to draw and discharge his bow six times with a range of two hundred and forty yards, and who in those six times once missed his man, was very lightly esteemed." The author reminds us that James I. described smoking as "a custom loathsome to the eye, hateful to the very lightly esteemed. The author reminds us that James I described smoking as "a custom loathsome to the eye, hateful to the nose, harmful to the brain, dangerous to the lungs, and in the black stinging fume thereof nearest resembling the horrible Stygian smoke of the pit that is bottomless." We have, too, the good old "chestnut" of Sir Walter Raleigh enjoying his pipe, and being "put out" by his faithful domestic, who thought be was on fire, with a trallegal of ale.

with a tankard of ale. Mrr Marchamp Longway has been from "London to Melbourne" (Remington)—quite an ordinary event; and yet he writes a long book about it. An extract or two will show the imbecilities with which this book is crowded. They had Sunday imbecilities with which this book is crowded. They had Sunday service on deck in the Royal Mail steamer on which he was passenger. "As an instance of toleration on ship-board, I was amused at the case of a young Jewish lady who took her place as a member of the Protestant congregation when service was going forward. I was by her side, and can testify how well she behaved, and how diligent she was that all the places in the books should be pointed out to her in following the minister. It was only when a hymn was sung, where the words occur, 'Simply to Thy cross I cling,' and hearing her so distinctly sing them, that I am afraid my conduct was not just what it ought to be. But every one knows how difficult it is to preserve the countenance in church when anything even approaching to a comical idea strikes one. I was thing even approaching to a comical idea strikes one. I was exceedingly sorry for it on this occasion, for I made, in the first place, the poor girl appear to herself in a foolish light, and I may—though this I greatly doubt—have prevented the Church from gaining a convert." gaining a convert.

gaining a convert."
A book of a very different type, and not to be mentioned in the same breath with the preceding, is that by Mr. Henry Montagu Doughty, author of "Summer in Broadland." It is entitled "Friesland Meres, and Through the Netherlands: the Voyage of a Friesland Meres, and I prough the North of Holland, as everybody knows, is only a greater Norfolk Broad-land, and Mr. Doughty tried and proved, in company with four daughters, a son, a friend, one steward, and two sailor men, the capacity of Friesland Meres and other waterways to give passage and play to the sailing capacity of an East Country wherry. His craft was called the Gipsy. Like a house-boat on the Thames for size and comfort, she was yet safe, and fast and handy under sail. With other yessels of her kind, she could float in three feet of water, and could lead where nothing bigger than a boat could follow. The Gipsy's length was fifty-three feet, and her beam thirteen feet six inches. Her one mast, placed very far forward, is nearly as tall as she is long. As it is balanced in a tabernacle with a ton and more of lead, it can be raised and lowered by a child. Few bridges are too low for the Gipsy. Her rigging is of the simplest; there are no shrouds; but one sail, very high peaked, with an enormous gaff, to catch light airs over trees, and without a boom. The hull, moreover, is a very graceful model, and clinker built. Such craft have

been developing for centuries, and, as regards their special service, been developing for centuries, and, as regards their special service, may be regarded as hiving almost reached perfection. Mr. Doughty tells us how they may be made to hold provisions for three months, and no end of conveniences. He and his family were bound from Yarmouth to Stavoren, whence they started on the charming water ramble, the description of which so agreeably fills the pages of this pleasant book. "Friesland Meres" contains two guide maps which are excellent, and an equally good store of illustrations.

We have before us the third volume of "Blackie's Modern Cyclopædia of Universal Information: A Handy Book of Reference on All Subjects and for All Readers. With numerous Pictorial

on All Subjects and for All Readers. With numerous Pictorial Illustrations, and a Series of Maps. Edited by Charles Annandale, M.A., LL.D., Editor of 'The Imperial Dictionary.'" The present volume begins with "Cone" and ends with "Firdusi." Of course, in so compact a work there is no room for elaborate disquisition on each subject as in like productive tongs, as those of the "Formation on each subject as in like productive tongs, as those of the "Formation on each subject as in like productive tongs, as those of the "Formation on the control of the contro each subject as in like ponderous tomes, as those of the "Encyclopædia Britannica" for example. The vocabulary, however, is judiciously and comprehensively extensive. If a man is a specialist he may, of course, come across terms not employed here; but this is scarcely likely to happen with the general public. To literary folk the work should be of great value, from its handiness, cheapness, and accuracy. There are abundant maps, and the definitions in the work, when it is complete, will be supplemented by three

The work, when it is complete, will be supplemented by three thousand accurate and excellent wood-engravings.

The first volume of the Scottish Art Review is before us. It begins with the number for June, 1888, and ends with that for May, 1889. The volume is handsomely bound, is full of able and readable articles, and is richly adorned with highly-finished reproductions of pictures often of great beauty and attractiveness.



THE GROSVENOR GALLERY

THE managers of the Grosvenor Gallery might advantageously have confined their second exhibition of pastels within narrower limits, and fixed a higher standard for admission. But though they are rather overpowered by the mass of commonplace and uninteresting work about them, it contains many good drawings, and some of great beauty. Only a few of the members of the Société des Pastellistes Français, whose works formed the most important feature of last year's display, are exhibitors; but on the other hand several English artists of long-established reputation contribute drawings that suffer nothing by comparison with their pictures in drawings that suffer nothing by comparison with their pictures in oil or water-colour. The landscapes are less numerous, but of higher average merit, than the figure-pictures. None of them show higher average merit, than the figure-pictures. None of them show more complete mastery over the technique of pastel than M. J. Aumonier's two pastoral scenes "The Strayed Flock" and "October." In neither of them is there any insistence on detail, but by reason of their finely-modulated tone and comprehensive truth of effect they convey a satisfactory sense of completeness. Mr. A. D. Peppercorn also appears to great advantage in a large drawing, "The Cornfield," evidently inspired by the example of Corot, and resembling that master's work in its felicitous rendering of vibrating light and vaporous atmosphere. Mr. R. W. Allun's "Evening in Holland," Mr. J. Buxton Knight's "Twilight at Littlehampton," Mr. C. Watson's "Fisher-Boats," and Mr. I. S. Hill's "On the Blythe," are capital examples of rapid outdoor work. In each of them an evanescent effect of light and colour is vividly suggested. of them an evanescent effect of light and colour is vividly suggested.

of them an evanescent effect of light and colour is vividly suggested. Entirely different from these in motive, but excellent in their way, are the forest scenes by M. A. Nozal. Together with accuracy in the delineation of natural form, they have balance of composition and unity of design, the point of view from which the materials of the subject harmoniously combine being in every case chosen.

Mr. S. J. Solomon shows a great deal of power together with his accustomed tendency to exaggeration in his large study of "An Amazon." The foreshortened figure is well-designed, but the attitude is overstrained and the colour morbid. Far away the best rendering of the nude figure in the collection is a life-sized "Etuled d'Enfant," by the distinguished French painter, M. Emile Lévy, who also sends a masterly and sympathetic study of extreme old age, "Tête de Vieille Veuve," and a portrait of a girl in Japanese costume, charmingly child-like in character and admirable in its quality and arrangement of colour. The well-known Belgian artist, M. Emile Wauters, has a bust-portrait of "Hubert Vos," full of vitality and executed with sure-handed dexterity and firmness. Of many large drawings by Mdlle. Anna Bilinska, all marked by distinct individually and artistic breadth of style the very animated Of many large drawings by Mille. Anna Bilinska, all marked by distinct individuality and artistic breadth of style, the very animated an lexpressive half-length, "Un Gamin," is the most striking if not

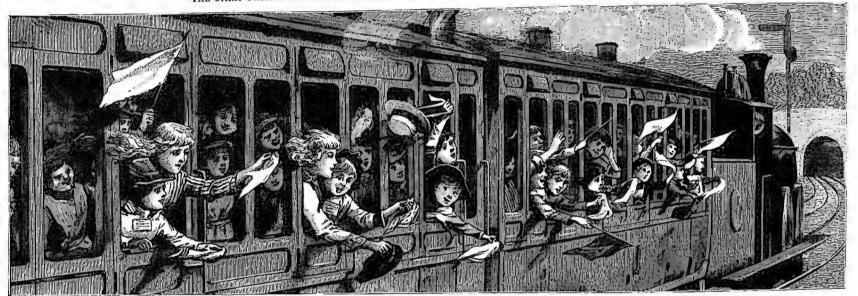
the best.

A few only of the numerous portraits on a large scale by English artists can be regarded with entire satisfaction. The authors of some of them have pushed elaboration beyond the limits proper to the method, while many others seem to have aimed chiefly at making their works look like oil pictures. Mr. T. Blake Wirgman's "Cécile" is an excellent example of graceful female portraiture, remarkable for its breadth and simplicity as well as for its refinement of style. A half-length of a ludy in white satin, with a book in remarkable for its breadth and simplicity as well as for its refinement of style. A half-length of a ludy in white satin, with a book in her hand, called "The Poet," by a comparatively unknown artist—Miss Florence Small—shows, together with many other good qualities, a right sense of the capabilities and necessary limitations of pastel. The figure is correctly designed, naturally posed, and has an air of cultivated grace and refinement. The artist's full-length of a demure girl in a grey satin dress, "The Little Quakeress," is almost, if not quite, as good. The treatment of drapery in both pictures is thoroughly artistic. Mr. W. Holman Hunt contributes an interesting portrait of "Robert B. Martineau" in black and red chalk, executed nearly thirty years ago. Besides several other good drawings, Mr. J. M'Clure Hamilton has a small interior of "Mr. E. Onslow Ford's Studio," excellent in its rendering of light and colour, and combining completeness of realisation with breadth of style. Among the most noteworthy of the other small works are Mr. G. Clausen's half-length of a peasant girl, "Little Rose;" Mrs. E. Stanhope Forbes's group of rustic children, "Hide and Seek;" and a masterly sketch of "Polar Bears," by Mr. J. M. Swan.

THE HANOVER GALLERY

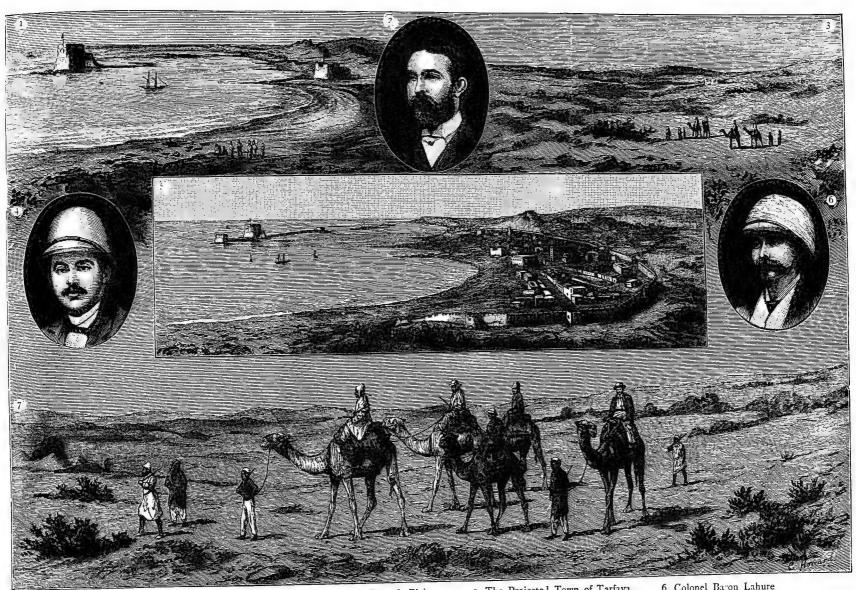
THE Winter Exhibition at this Gallery contains a larger propor THE Winter Exhibition at this Gallery contains a larger proportion of good works than most of its predecessors. Some half-dozen pictures by deceased painters of the French School constitute its chief attraction, but, among the recent productions, there are several of great merit. The largest of them—a triptych called "Les Marchands de Craie," by a Belgian artist, M. Léon Frederic phous expresses of purpose and great powers of realisation, but "Les Marchands de Craie," by a Belgian artist, M. Léon Frederic—shows earnestness of purpose and great powers of realisation, but by reason of the depre-sing nature of the subject and the uncompromising way in which it is treated, will not be regarded with much satisfaction. The coarse-featured, ill-fed men, women, and children, whom he has depicted pursuing the daily routine of their lives with a look of hopeless misery on their faces, are specimens of humanity of the abject kind, and he has modified none of their most repelling characteristics. By M. Paul Billet, there are two small Algerian views, unlike in style, as well as in subject, the kind of work by which he is best known, but excellent in their way. Several small landscapes by a comparatively unknown French







RETURNING IN THE EVENING WITH THE SPOILS AFTER A PLEASANT HOLIDAY THE COUNTRY-A CHILDREN'S SCHOOL TREAT A DAY IN



1. Port of Cape Juby 2. Mr. Donald Mackenzie, Found-r of the Juby Settlement

3. The Dowrah Plain 4. Lieutenant Fourcault

5. The Projected Town of Tarfaya, Cape July

6. Colonel Baron Lahure 7. Travelling Through the Sahara

THE EXPLORATIONS AT CAPE JUBY, NORTH-WEST COAST OF AFRICA



THE SEASON AT BRIGHTON

painter, M. Maurice Lévis, show close observation of nature and great skill in recording transient effects of atmosphere and light, "Near Soisy," in which the appearance of strong wind is forcibly rendered, is a rem irkably good work. The best qualities of Corot's art are seen in his large picture "The Hiy Cart." It is beyond all comparison the finest landscape in the room. Jules Dupre's "Through the Orchard" is a good, but not first-rate example of his power as a landscape painter. Near it hangs a small interior "A Turkish School," by Decamp, low in tone, but luminous, and full of subtle modulations of subdued colour. Isabey's picturesque church interior, "The First Communion," though vague and undefined in form, is masterly in its treatment of light and colour. Troyon's "After a Storm," Courbet's "The Startval Fawn," and Ph. Rousseau's "Poultry," are excellent in their various ways. painter, M. Maurice Lévis, show close observation of nature and

MESSRS. BUCK AND REID, 179, New Bond Street, send us two engravings by Mr. Edward Slocombe. One is a mezzotint reproduction of Miss Maude Goodman's picture "On the Way," exhibited in the Royal Academy last year; and the other is an original etching, entitled "The Seine at Rouen." Both are excellent specimens of engraving work, but the latter will perhaps be the more popular of the two, as the subject is one which lends itself more to Mr. Slocombe's vigorous style.

BIRDS OF SPORT-BLACKCOCK AND PTARMIGAN

Not till partridge-shooting has been well entered upon, and, in some districts, not till it has become lawful to fire at the pheasants, are young blackcock really ready for the gun. These birds may be shot as early as August 20th, but at that date they are not worth killing; and it was more than once suggested by a much-respected Scottish sportsmen—now, alas! gone over to the majority—that the time for "commencing on" the blackcock, should be altered to September 12th, but even then the birds would scarcely be worth shooting, as they do not grow very quickly. Happily, good sportsshooting, as they do not grow very quickly. Happily, good sports-men leave the birds alone for a few weeks, till, in short, they have men leave the birds alone for a few weeks, till, in short, they have become strong on the wing, when, as a matter of course, they are better worth powder and shot. At the time for commencing sport, as at present arranged, if the season has been a backward one, it is not always possible to distinguish the sexes of the birds. As a shrewd old border-forester used to say, "they are only raw 'gorbs,' not worth looking at "—a true enough picture, their bodily progress being so slow. A "gorb," it may be explained, is a bird that has been slower to feather than the others of a brood.

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There are plenty of sportsmen who prefer blackcock-shooting to any other pastime. When a very keen Berwickshire laird, a capital shot, was told by an Alpine traveller of the glory and the peril which attend the hunting of the chamois, he said:—"You stick to your chamois, I prefer the blackcock; it is good enough for me, as it was good enough for my father before me," and doubtless there are many who hold similar opinions. Individual tastes differ in the matter of sport, as in other things; there are men who, if given the choice, would vote for a day at the rabbits, in preference to a day in a deer-forest. Other men, again, would sooner try their to a day in a deer-forest. Other men, again, would sooner try their hand at pigeon-potting than partridge-shooting, and there are also those who give their whole soul to the "hunting of the hare."

Whilst in pursuit of the blackcock or his mate the greyhen, the sportsman—if he knows his business—fires at a mark he cannot well miss. In these birds there is at least surface, and, when bagged,

well miss. In these birds there is at least surface, and, when bagged, they bulk well for the pot—but they are not quite so easy to shoot as some people think. In October, black game are good alike for sport and food—then they are probably at their best, and may be grassed by shooting over dogs, or by "picking the packs," which may often be found on the stubbles fifty or sixty birds strong. October shooting is, as a rule, excellent, and can be wonderfully varied. I have seen in a part of Scotland where Highland heather ceases to grow, and Lowland stubbles begin, a place where there are "woods" and abundance of undergrowth, with a running rivulet of sparkling water, bags made that would satisfy the most exacting of game-hunters: three brace of grouse, a dozen of black game, five hares, four brace of partridges, a couple of plump pheasants, not to speak of eight or ten rabbits and many miscellaneous birds, and to two guns only, on a fine autumnal October day, on a pretty wide area of very varied ground. The mate of the blackcock lays on the average seven or eight

eggs, but nests have often been seen containing ten and, occa-sionally, eleven. It is not every one who can see a greyhen's nest, even when, as the shepherds say, "it is before their very 'een;" it is a carelessly composed structure, or, perhaps it would be better to describe it as so artistically arranged, so in keeping with its surroundings, that only experts can find it without taking a great deal

of trouble.

The place to look for the nest of "the good grey-hen" is a bit of scrub about a rocky spot sheltered by rank vegetation. The mother sits patiently, and, as a rule, every one of her eggs yields a chick, all of which are carefully nursed and tended, while being taught how to find their daily bread. First of all they are taught to eat insects and larvæ, and that they do greedily, after which, they are instructed to feast on wild berries and seeds of various sorts, as well as the tender buds of such trees as are within reach. Both parents fulfil their duty in protecting their young from the numerous enemies tender buds of such trees as are within reach. Both parents fulfil their duty in protecting their young from the numerous enemies which would play havoc with the coveys, and many a time the "bold blackcock" has a stand-up fight with the remorseless raven or some of the birds of prey that eye the tender birds with hungry instincts. As has been indicated, the young ones are long in arriving at maturity, far longer for instance, than the chicks of the grouse, or even of the pheasant. When ready for the gun, the birds will be about four months old; and, young and inexperienced as they are, they afford a good deal of sport, and give some exciting work to persons who expect to make a bag of them without much trouble. Of late years blackcock, having unfortunately attracted the attention of the poachers, have been captured in large numbers, the attention of the poachers, have been captured in large numbers, so that in some districts they are anything but plentiful; in Wigtownshire and also in the county of Dumfries hundreds are annually taken by illicit means and forwarded to the English markets, in which they meet with ready sale at a good price.
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Ptarmigan afford plenty of work to industrious gunners, but they are "ill to kill," indeed, there are plenty of sportsmen who don't know the bird when they see it; it may be likened somewhat to the chameleon—at all events it has had conferred upon it the power of looking at all times like something else, it may be, as it happens, either a stone or a snowball. Ptarmigan are found on the precipitation side of the Highland mountains and each address them. either a stone or a snowball. Ptarmigan are found on the precipitous sides of the Highland mountains, and not seldom has the stalker of ptarmigan, whilst looking out with all his might for the prey he is in search of, been astonished to find the stones upon which he was about to tread take wings and flee away! "Bless me," he will, perhaps, exclaim to his friend or attendant, "who would have thought of such a thing—there are the very birds for which we have been looking." Writing of these birds, a naturalist thus describes their habits:—"When squatted, they utter no sound, their object being to conceal themselves: and if you discover the their object being to conceal themselves; and if you discover the one from which a cry has proceeded, you generally find him on the top of a stone ready to spring off the moment you show an indica-tion of hostility. If you throw a stone at him he rises, utters his call, and is immediately joined by all the individuals around which,

to your surprise, if it be your first rencontre, you see spring up one by one from this bare groun!"

The difficulty which attends the sport of ptarmigan-shooting was, once upon a time, well illustrated by a well known Highland sportsman. Having some sporting friends staying with him, two of whom were determined to try their hands among the ptarmigan, he made a small bet with them that they would not bring home one bird of their own shooting, and he also betted he would send out a ghillie two hours after they had started, who would assuredly not return with less thun half-a-dozen birds (they were not plentiful in the district). The Highland sportsman won. The two strangers did not kill a single bird—the ghilliereturned with seven to his own gun.

Ptarmigan are not greatly esteemed by epicures, they do not come up to the red grouse as table birds, but they make excellent soup, being first of all steeped for a brief time in boiling water, after which they can be cut into bits to be added to the stock previously prepared from grouse that have been "hashed" in the shooting. Foreign ptarmigan, "white grouse" they are sometimes called, are imported into this country in large numbers, and sold at a cheap rate; those who feel inclined can try the experiment of placing them on their tables in soup, or roasted and served on toast in the same manner as the common grouse. Blackcock or grey hen are undoubtedly best roasted, before a clear, sharp fire; they ought to be pretty well done, and they should not be too long "kept." To keep game of any kind till it is almost putrid, as was once the fashion, is now beginning to be "a custom more honoured in the breach than the observance." Who that has eaten a fine fresh-killed pheasant, would again hark back to the "carrion" which some cooks have been in the habit of sending to table, accompanied by copious supplies of bread sauce to aid in disguising the flavour? The "Bird of Colchis" is an admirable order for the spit within five days after being killel, and no cook should keep i

CHRISTMAS BOOKS

THE interesting Pen and Pencil series published by the Religious The interesting Pen and Pencil series published by the Religious Tract Society are gradually making the tour of the globe, and have now reached the land of the Czar. "Russian Pictures" follows the same plan as its predecessors in presenting the salient features of country and people by plentiful illustrations and pleasant chatty prose. The canvas is rather cramped for an extensive subject like the Muscovite Empire, yet Mr. John Mitchell omits little of interest and importance, and packs a mass of facts into his limited space. His personal experiences of a voyage on the Volga, and Captain J. Buchan Telfer's account of the Crimea and Caucasus form the most taking chapters, while the headings, copied from antique illuminations, will please the student of decorative art. Russian history, however, with its long roll of saints and heroes, produces no such touching figure as the leper saint of Molokai, "Father Damien" such touching figure as the leper saint of Molokai, "Father Damien" (Sonnenschein), whose familiar history Frances E. Cooke tells to young people in simple, unaffected form. This record of a noble

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Historical tales are in the ascendant among novelettes for boys and girls, and several from the National Society would prove acceptable prizes. Miss Yonge contributes a picturesque and stirring sketch of Cheddar a century ago, "The Cunning Woman's Grandson," when the people of the Mendips were wild and superstitious till Hannah More and her assistants established schools and trained them to wise and steady ways. The character of the old witch—the cunning woman—haunting a cave in the Cheddar cliffs is most graphically drawn. Again, it was a witch whose "Banning and Blessing" brought such sorrow upon a noble family, though she mends her mischief in the end, as the author of "Mdlle. Mori "depicts in a charming picture of rustic Devonshire life. Another trio of stories illustrate the horrors of civil war in England in olden days. King Monmouth causes sore trouble in "Fairmeadows Farm," where Mary H. Debenham contributes three such bewitching heroines that it seems cruel to kill one of them before her time; the young Chevalier tempts away the hero of "The Chalice of Carden" (Streffington) leaving his dad leave

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After these exciting themes, thoughtful girls may like to be reminded of the more practical and serious side of existence. They can learn useful lessons of unselfishness and family concord from "Eveline's Key-Note" (Cauldwell), by E. C. Kenyon; of helpfulness to others from "Miriam's Ambition" (Blackie), by Evelyn Everett Green, and from "Crumbs from the Children's Table" (Cauldwell), by Mrs. Saxby; and of perseverance and the evils of vanity from "A Pair of Cousins" (National Society), by C. R. Coleridge, a fascinati

get into terrible mischief.

The boys have also their supply of sober books, but they are duller than the girls' share, and are liable to defeat their own excellent aims by making the good heroes prigs. This is the blot in the elaborate tale of good influence, "In Fellowship" (Cauldwell), by the author of "Brotherhood," which is cleverly worked out, and might otherwise impress lads just setting forth in the world. The same charge in a minor degree applies to "Edgar Berwick's Inheritance" (Cauldwell), by W. J. Lacy, which deals with the very seasonable subject of strikes, so that there is a much more natural and pleasant tone in "The Dunce of the School" (Cauldwell),

although Harriett Boultwood merely utilises a familiar theme of although Harriett Boultwood merely utilises a familiar theme of schoolboys' trials and quarrels.—Again the perplexities of the Church clerk, "Godfrey Hallam" (Nisbet), when thrown into close relations with a Dissenting preacher, are humorously told by the Rev. Jackson Wray, form much more wholesome reading that the portrait of that objectionable being, a religious hypocrite, drawn by Alfred E. Knight in "Twice Born" (Cauldwell). The latter author cannot be congratulated on his illustrations.—Temperance stories are generally acceptable for parish libraries, 5) E. G. Harding's pathetic history of the reclaimed drunkard and his sickly son, "Robin's Promise" (Wells Gardner), may be well recommended.—A companion volume of the same tendency, "Victims 1, Custom" (Simpkin, Marshall), by Emily Foster, is spoilt by its excessive intolerance.

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Our list of annuals includes The Century and St. Micholas (Fisher Unwin), The Church Monthly (Church Monthly Office), and The Child's Own Magazine (Sun law Salat Fisher Unwin, the Charles down Magazine (Sanday School Foung Engand and The Child's Own Magazine (Sanday School



MR. MARION CRAWFORD'S "Sant' Ilario" (3 vols.: Macmillan and MR. MARION CRAWFORD'S Sant Mario (5 1016. Macminian and Co.) is a continuation of the same author's by no means very recent Co.) is a continuation of the same author's by no means very recent "Sarracinessa," with which a previous acquaintance is, if not absolutely indispensable, very nearly so. And if the author is disposed to take too entirely for granted that his own abiding interest in Giovanni and Corona Sarracinesca will be shared by the world at large, no excuse is needed for his further contribution to Roman solutions and social history during the latter days of the Torona Sarracinesca will be and social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the Torona social history during the latter days of the torona social history during the latter days of the torona social history during the latter days of the torona social history during the latter days of the torona social history during the latter days are the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days are the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days are the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the torona social history during the latter days at the latter days at the latter days at the latter days at t political and social history during the latter days of the Temporal political and social inisiony during the latter days of the Temporal power. That to him alone it is given to understand the Italian churacter, and that, as he sweepingly asserts, everything hithert, written on the subject is worthless, is an opinion likely to throw more doubt on Mr. Crawford's own trustworthiness as an interpreter than he deserves; for he is in reality an exceptionally capable guide, despite a conceit which now and then seems to suggest that to him alone, and for the first time, has been entrusted the complete to him alone, and for the first time, has been entrusted the complete comprehension, not only of national idiosyncracies, but of human nature at large. Accordingly he is unsparing with his psychological analysis, spending pages at a time upon the elaboration of some point which might with perfect safety have been taken for granted. Still, he is very far indeed from being of the school of American condition where any descriptions and motive as the whole field at Still, he is very lar indeed from being of the school of American novelists who regard portraiture and motive as the whole field and scope of fiction. The plot of "Sant' Ilario" is strong enough to threaten tragedy; it makes the reader realise how long the meliceval spirit outlived its conditions, and how truly Rome, until it became a mere commonplace national capital, seemed superior to time and change. Incidentally, Mr. Crawford does some tardy justice to the brave men who fought for the losing cause; and if the Garibaldmi appear in less heroic colours, by comparison, than usual, it is just as well for once to see things from the unconventional point of view. In short, the strength of the novel lies in incident and atmosphere: its weakness is in its portraiture, and more especially in the author's desperate attempt to engage sympathy for his favourite heroine, the hird, cold, entirely self-absorbed Corona. We are promised a yet further continuation of her matrimonial career under yet more troubled circumstances. Three volumes more of Corona sound alarming; but if they conclude the half-told love-story of Anastase Gouache and Faustina Montevarchi—two singularly sympathetic and human characters—they will be more than welcome.

"Leonora," by William V. Herbert (I vol.: Ward and Downey), contains some remarkable situations. Mr. John Lyndhurst, a young gentleman of fortune, obtains a beautiful and charming wife by means of a matrimonial advertisement in the Paris Figaro, and is its weakness is in its portraiture, and more especially in the author's

means of a matrimonial advertisement in the Paris Figure, and is afterwards, oddly enough, surprised to feel obliged to suspect her of having had a story. In order to unravel the mystery he sets his discarded mistress to spy upon her—it is he who tells the story—and, after an exceptional amount of blundering, a tremenbus scene is reached in which he, she, and the clergyman who muderel her first husband are brought together, and her secret and her innocence are revealed together. She shoots the clergyman, goes mad, and disappears: the clergyman, before he is quite deal, mad, and disappears; the clergyman, before he is quite deal, upsets a lamp which burns down the parsonage; the hero, if so he must be called, afraid of being charged with murder and arson, runs out and jumps into a possible larged train. After this it is must be called, afraid of being charged with murder and arson, runs out and jumps into a passing luggage train. After this, it is almost tame to follow his search for his wife, even though it includes an attempt to engage the Pope himself as a detective for a fee of 10,000%, and though the last scene is one of suicide. As a warning against marriage by advertisement, "Leonora" has at any rate the merit of being thorough.

"An Old Man's Story," by Isilore G. Ascher (1 vol.: Elliot Stock), is supposed to account for the eccentricity of a retired solicitor in having worn the same old coat for, as well as we can make out, at least a dozen years. The reason seems scarcely valid; since, as

at least a dozen years. The reason seems scarcely valid; since, as it was only because he had sewn a certain document into the lining it was only because he had sewn a certain document into the ining so as to have it about him, there was obviously nothing to prevent his making a transfer to a new coat as occasion required. Elderly lawyers, however, are notoriously the slaves of sentiment—at least in novels; and "An Odd Man's Story" is nothing if not sentimental, the characters being all more or less creatures of impulse, whether for good or for evil. So far as its merits are convernel, it is one of that respectable class to which it is impossible to ascribe is one of that respectable class to which it is impossible to ascribe

either praise or blame.

We some time ago noticed a sensitional story of a mysterious murder, and its detection, entitled "Police Sergeant C at," by Reginald Barnett, as being very much above the level of the shilling fiction to which it belonged in point of form. In "The Devil's Whisper" (Walter Scott) the same author has followed up his first success by another contribution to the romance of crime, of fully equal interest, and, it is gratifying to add, of higher attistic quality. He has not, on this occasion, been afraid to let his readers guess for themselves the secret which so completely buffled Inspector. quality. He has not, on this occasion, been afraid to let his readers guess for themselves the secret which so completely buffled Inspector Black of Millbrook, and has thus enabled himself to give greater freedom to his talent for portraiture—a freedom which inevitably suffers when a secret obliges an author to make his character sail more or less under false colours. Of course we shall not assist those readers who are fortunate enough to be still unversel in the solution of mysteries by sketching his story, however slightly—a proceeding which would, in this case, be equally unfair to him and to them. In point of construction, the plot and its management would take a good place in the best French school in the metter of compression and precision; there is remarkable skill in construction so intricate a drama by means of such a small num er of characteristics. ing so intricate a drama by means of such a small num er of characters, and military ing so intricate a drama by means of such a small num er of characters, and without a single change of scene. The resulting interest is artistic, as well as strong, and the pleasure of pertail is not confined to the rapid succession of incidents and surprises, among which by no means the least is the unique hum art of the among which by no means the least is the unique hum art of the conclusion. The story is of an essentially popular character, while confected interary quality.

Literary excellence is the special note of "The Mikers of Mulling," and to the three stories which follow it in the same volume, by C. R. Coleridge (Smith and Innes). They are prevailed that the same sumably written for the young, with a special view to thoughtide

sumably written for the young, with a special view to thoughtill girls who are beginning to feel themselves in touch with the problems of life; and problems it is always to the surgest problems of life; and perhaps it is almost hypercritical to suggest

that a little more concealment of the purpose and moral of each story would have rendered them more helpful still. If they have a fault it is that they have too much the air of being sermons in disguise, with too little of the disguise. In all essential respects they merit the most cordial praise and welcome, especially as they they merit the side of that healthy optimism, and that cheerful acceptare on the side of that healthy optimism, and that cheerful acceptance of daily duties, for want of which so many lives are running to seed in these days of self-worry.

THE EIFFEL TOWER

S EVERY ONE KNOWS, the Eiffel Tower is the event of the year. I believe General Boulanger himself to be less spoken of, written about, anyhow depicted or reproduced than that tremendous pyramid of heavy iron made light and airy by the astonishing genius of our engineers. engineers. Now, my dear *Graphic*, let us have, in our turn, a chatter about

have, in our turn, a chatter about that unavoidable subject.

Of course, it is no use tol describe the "building" itself, nor their featurest of its organisation; everybody has read those things over and over again. Let us stick to the visitors' impressions, or life in the Tower.

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The first lifts start from the different pillars up to the première, and to the secon le paleforme, every morning at ten; but the queue of visitors begins to assemble in front of the guichets at about nine o'clo:k. People who know Paris life are familiar with that dreadful necessity of always faire queue anywhere, when more than two persons intend to meet. Whether you wish to get into a 'bus, or into a theatre, to a railway booking office, or to any other public place, you cannot possibly "reach" without passing through long, wearisome, and ever-overcrowded files of double tarriers, under some grave official's surveillance, and you must submit to the cruel bother the liveliest of nations endure with more patience than any cool far-away Northerner would do. Faire queue!



HERE YOU ARE, GENERAL! PLAN OF THE EXHIBITION, FIFTEEN CENTIMES, THREE SOUS

Now, let us take our places in the queue. This is interminable, and we shall have plenty of time for observing the International cloud, whose long-dreamt-of aim is the summit of the Tower.

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First of all I notice that the foreigners who, of course, compose the majority, show as much patience as the Parisians themselves would be. In fact, they had been told by their home papers that to reach the top required about two or three hours, according to the time they began the ascent, and they courageously made up their minds to show themselves quite à la hauteur des circumstances I Some of them are reading a journal, or a "Tauchnitz edition" look to a good many use their leisure hours for consulting Bradshaw or Baedeker, or for making on the sheets of their pockethesk the painful balance of their expenses. A few are talking with their neighbours in an unheard-of sort of International volapith, in mining about the time they will want, because of an appointment in uning about the time they will want, because of an appointment they have made, or the restaurant they ought to choose, on the promine fateforme. A Scotch lady, who suffers from headache, declares that she is absolutely unable to look at the Tower to-day without running the risk of fainting, and gets her husband to purpose the ascent to another morning — which makes their followers in the server built resisting for they advance one stem. postpole the ascent to another morning — which makes their followers in the queue loudly rejoice—for they advance one step

Well, here we reach the guichet, pay two francs, and after a short stay in another queue, we find ourselves sitting in the lift, which

One cannot fancy the amount of odl reflections the climbers make during the short voyage. Most of the ladies are merely thinking of the danger, and try to recover themselves by chattering at at their fears à tort and à travers.

Whereas a manvais plaisant solemnly declares that if a chain were to treak, the whole party would be smashed like a plate petatoes, a spectacled Herr Professor emphatically asserts t all human precautions have been duly cared for and scientifically controlled, hence the absence of any risk to life; whereupon a grandly query in heila carefulade, with general approbation, that all grandil quent im ecile concludes, with general approbation, that all

of this is a mere matter of chance.

In the meantime, the "one who knows" stands gazing through which the windows, and admires both the Titanic cobweb through which the list is being driven, and the wonderful panorama displayed

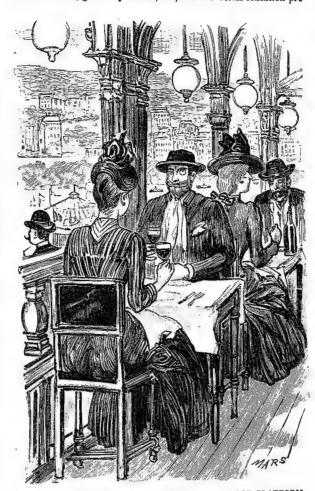
In a few minutes we reach the first platform, after a peep into the cellars and the kitchens, built a storey lower than the grand floor. What a little world is this first platform! No end of people walking about 1 in the restaurants, or waiting walking along the galleries, lunching in the restaurants, or waiting in the sempiternal queue for further ascent.

And nobody is tired, of course, except some valiant Alpinist, or inexhaustible youth, who scorned easy ways, and came by the staincase

The bird's-eye view over Paris, with its finest parts on the fore-ground, the levely river wrinkled by dainty embarcations and busy penny-boars the striking amount of shady gardens and planted

avenues, and the bright scenery which frames all round the brightest of cities, is indeed magnificent.

On the upper platforms, of course, the panorama will show gradually larger and larger, but then its details, so pleasant to pick out and look at, gradually vanish, too, and the aerial sensation pre-



LUNCHING IN THE RESTAURANTS ON THE FIRST PLATFORM

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Four big restaurants, with charming outside terraces, surround this first station of the ascending journey. The one fronting the Dôme Central of the Exhibition is thoroughly Parisian; the second is Russian, and the appropriate building of the same is truly original and elegant. This other one, fronting the Seine and the Trocadéro, with Mont Valérien and the pretty banlieue hills, in the background, is attended by nice-looking Alsatian girls in their becoming national attire. The last dining-room is termed "Anglo-Americain." During lunch-time the inside halls, as well as the outside terraces, of those restaurants are overcrowded with consommateurs, in whom the fresh breeze inspires "indefatigable" appetite and cheerful humour. The general impression one keeps of the première plateforma is exceedingly gay. is exceedingly gay.



ADMIRING THE VIEW FROM THE SECOND PLATFORM

Now, up to the second one. Here we meet with a crowning surprise: the eager paper-readers, who, perchance, were wearying for fresh news, after having left their dear down-stair soil, can enjoy the treat of buying a "last edition," printed under their very eyes, at that

vertiginous altitude. The Figaro had the clever idea of establishing there a complete printing mill and a talented editorial staff, with the view of catching the public by their côté faible. In fact, the Figaro de la Tour Eiffel gives in its daily number the name and country of every visitor who

gives in its daily number the name and country of every visitor who applies for that purpose to its Tower Pavilion, and the queue in front of the same is all the day long an endless one.

Of course, the first thing the climbers do on the following morning is to purchase the number to look through it for their own names, and, if they are in it, to buy further copies and post them to their relatives at home in order to show them that they was there

A good many tourists who never in their lives committed either crimes or verses feel poetically-minded as soon as they reach the second platform; and the consequence of that sudden disease is an innumerable series of enthusiastic, but silly, lucubrations, shame-

easely published by the Tower's paper.

On this, intermediary floor, the crowd is still increasing in the famous queue, for one cannot reach the top gallery by means of a single lift. Some refreshments may be enjoyed pour



A FRENCH WAITRESS

tuer le temps, or to kill hunger and thirst. But the best things are —I, a little penny book they sell you, containing many interesting particulars about the "marvel," lots of advertisements, of course, and the day's date printed on the cover, which latter makes this wee thing termed dip'em d'ascensionniste; 2, the little ballons rouges. These seem to surnish quite a favourite pastime. To each balloon is fixed a post-card bearing the printed notice that people who might happen to find it are respectfully requested to post it, wherever it be. For in tance, a friend of ours let such a little balloon loose, after having written on the card his own address in Paris. A

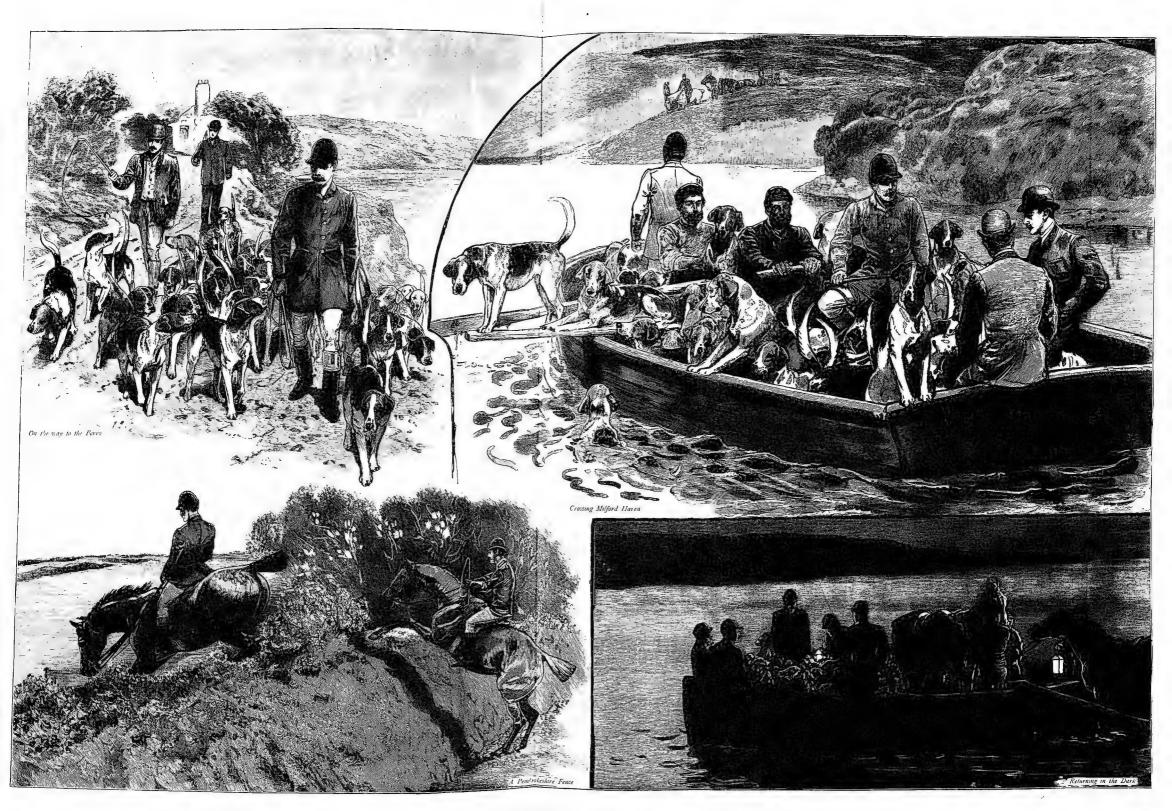


LETTING LOOSE SMALL BALLOONS, WITH POSTCARDS ATTACHED. FROM THE THIRD PLATFORM

strong west wind was blowing. The aerial messenger did not take rest until in the neighbourhood of Nancy. Somebody got hold of the exhausted traveller, read the courteous request on the card, and hastened to throw the corrected to the courteous request on the card, and the exhausted traveller, read the courteous request on the card, and hastened to throw the same into the next pillar-box, which caused my friend to receive it again safely. Before posting the card, however, the witty Lorrain had written this: "Your card, cher monsieur, fell à nos pieds at the very moment I was giving a kiss to my bonne amie. It vexed me a little. Anyhow, as I gave her the kiss, never mind—I don't owe you any grudge."

At last, here we reach the upper platform! You, perhaps, fancy that all travellers quickly rish to the windows greedily look at the

At last, here we reach the upper platform! 10u, perhaps, lately that all travellers quickly rush to the windows, greedily look at the wonderful panorama, or turn up admiring eyes to the heaven so much nearer? Nay! They first of all get a postcard and sit down on a bench to write to their friends or relatives, sometimes also to her. I should think all those cards, without a single exception, begin



A DAY'S CUB HUNTING IN PEMBROKESHIRE

this way:—"I hasten to write to you from the top of the Tour Eiffel," and so on, giving a dithyrambic report of the panoramic marvels they have not looked at yet! As soon as the card is filled up, the tourist throws it into the Tower letter-box, and breathes more at ease, like a man who has accomplished his duty. Thus you may note the different categories of visitors—those who have come only



WRITING POSTCARDS ON THE TWIRD PLATFORM

in order to be able to state (by their postcard) that they did so; these rush down with precipitation; the ludies who get nearly sensick from dizziness, and seek to leave without delay; the enthusiasts



A SOUTH-AMERICAN VISITOR

who remain gazing for hours through the pour our windows; the grumblers, who come up with their top-coats, expecting it would be very cold, an I find it is, on the contrary, too hot. Yes, too hot—on account of all the windows being kept shut up against the wind. I must confess I belong to the friends of grand air—hence I am disappointed at not feeling myself free enough in the kingdom of birds!

birds!

Nevertheless, the spectacle from the top of the Eissel Tower is really magnificent, and if the visitor did not meet, after every two steps, friends from his native land, who bring him back to the reality of his earthly imperfections, he might believe he was suddenly transported into the cénacle of the Olympian gods!

"MARS"

RECENT POETRY AND VERSE

An attempt, to which we wish success, to popularise Wordsworth is made by Mr. William Knight and other members of the Worlsworth Society. It takes shape in a handy, neat volume of "Selections from Wordsworth" (Kegan Paul). Mr. Knight undertook the responsibility of fixing on the poems to be included in the book, and sent the list to members of the Society, who advised and suggested, or helpel in the writing of notes. Among the gentlemen who thus aided him were Mr. Browning, Mr. Stopford Brooke, Lord Coleridge, Mr. Russell Lowell, Lord Selborne, and others equally distinguished. The other special features of the volume are as follow:—The poems are arranged chronologically as in the library edition of the poet's works, published at Edinburgh (1882-6). Next, certain years have been assigned to those who have assisted in the work, and their opinion has been asked as to the wisdom of the selection made from the poems written during these years. In the selection made from the poems written during these years. In some cases, poems which have been omitted by Mr. Knight have been added by them, while, in other instances, those selected by him have been cancelled. Whether Mr. Knight and his collaborators will succeed in their object remains to be seen, but we have no reason for taking exception to the opinion that "nothing is more needed in our time than the elevating and tranquillising influence of poetry of the first magnitude."

Mr. S. Theobal I Smith, curator of the Bridgwater Gallery, has

written "A Ramble in Rhyme in the Country of Cranmer and Ridley: A Kentish Garland" (Chapman and Hall). The work is illustrated by Mr. Harold Oakley, from sketches by the author. He describes rural Kent with evident affection. Of his poetical merit, an opinion may be formed from the following anent "Haw Farm:"—

From fancy's call to real Haw sold courts, From tancy's call to real Haw's old courts, Suggesting still quaint antiquarian thoughts; No weapon here, or trophy haugs of chase, Nor ancient portraits is there any trace, Not even flowrets gay cheer the passers-by. The Kentish scene alone now charms the eye.

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Mr. F. A. H. Eyles has had bound into one volume the different numbers of his "Popular Poets of the Period" (Griffith, Farran, and Co.). It certainly contains a good deal of information about living verse-writers, great and small, likely to interest many people. We have also before us "To the Lions" (Warren Hall and Lovett), by Leonard Terry. The poem would be bloodcurdling, if it were more intelligible. However, as it is meant for recitation, and manner may supply the needed lucidity.

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THE "NEUE FREIE PRESSE" OF VIENNA

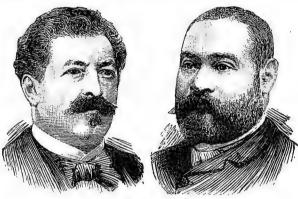
This well-known newspaper, one of the most influential repre-THIS well-known newspaper, one of the most influential representatives of Continental journalism, first appeared September 1st, 1884, and therefore, on September 1st, 1889, reached its silver wedding—or, as its Viennese admirers prefer to call it, its "jubilee." The happy event is to be celebrated by a banquet on November 4th. The paper was founded by Dr. Max Friedlander and Mr. Michael



DR. HAUSLICK

MR. RANZONI

Etienne, two men of considerable talent, and they determined that it should be conducted on genuine liberal principles—a resolution which has been consistently carried out up to the present time. Dr. Friedländer, who was by profession a lawyer, was editor-in-chief, an I devoted his energies to home politics and political economy. He



MR. WERTHNER

DR. BACHER

died in 1872. Mr. Etienne un lertook the foreign department. He died in 1879. Mr. Adolph Werthner, the business manager, still survives. At the present time he, together with Dr. Edward Bacher and Moritz Benedikt, control the editorial department. The two latter gentlemen wield powerful pens. Mr. Adolph Löwe is the

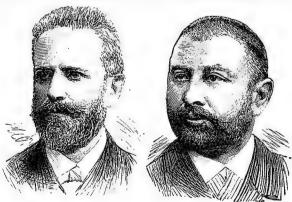




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dramatic critic; while the fine arts are entrusted to the care of Professor Hanslick and Mr. Emerick Ranzoni. The establishment of the Neue Freie Presse is on a most extensive scale. The permanent literary staff comprises upwards of forty persons, while there are no less than 650 correspondents in various parts of the world. At the



MR. BENEDIKT

Vienna Exhibition of 1873 the Neue Freie Presse received from the Vienna Exhibition of 1873 the Neue Freie Presse received from the jury a diploma of honour.—Our portraits are from photographs supplied to us by Mr. L. Kohn, Leopoldsgasse 24, Vienna, who is himself connected with the journal in question: Dr. Hanslick, Dr. Bacher, Dr. Friedländer, and Mr. Löwe, by Löwry, I Weihburggasse 31, Vienna; Mr. Ranzoni, by Rabending and Monckhoven, Wieden, Favoritenstrasse 3, Vienna; Mr. Benedikt, by Luckhardt, Taborstrasse 13, Vienna; Mr. Werthner, by Jerie and Massak, Marienbad; and Mr. Etienne, by Carjat et Cie, 10, Rue Notre Dame de Lorette, Paris. Dame de Lorette, Paris.

A FRENCH VERSION OF *The Merchant of Venice* will be produced at the Paris Odéon this winter as *Shy.lock*, by M. Edmond Harancourt, "after Shakespeare."

MAN-EATERS

THE hideous custom of cannibalism prevails to this day over wide-spread districts in the centre of Africa, and the population of parts of the interior of Malacca and New Caledonia are still addicted to it. The islanders of the Solomon group are another people who have not yet wholly abandoned a habit that was at one time universal among them, as a letter dated so lately as December, 1836, shows. It was written from Apia, in the Navigators' Islands, and stated that "terrible news reached this place a few days ago. A number of Melanesian labourers, belonging to the Island of Malaita, their contract having expired, were on their way home, when they ate up the entire crew of the ship which was conveving when they are up the entire crew of the ship which was conveying them, and plundered the vessel."

The Battas of Sumatra were man-eaters until quite recently.

Some of the earliest voyagers to the Eastern seas brought home terrible tales of the extent to which cannibalism prevailed among some of the earnest-volvagers to which cannibalism prevailed among them, and, though doubt was thrown upon these statements by subsequent travellers, Marsden and others of a later day have proved them to have been perfectly accurate. In his account of Sumatra, Marsden says that the Battas ate human flesh regularly, not to allay their hunger, but to show their detestation of some sorts of crime by this most ignominious form of punishment, and also as a mark of the hatred and contempt which they felt towards their enemies. He states that they invariably devoured those killed or wounded badly by them in wars, selling the comparatively sound captives as slaves. Not long ago a writer cited the personal experience of a friend of his as showing the recent prevalence of cannibalism in Sumatra. He was engaged in scientific researches in the interior of the island, and was most hospitably entertained by one of the native princes. This chieftain made a great feast in his honour, to which he went, accompanied by his native servant. The banquet lasted for some considerable time, and, finally, a most inviting brown roast was served, which was evidently thought very highly of by the other guests. It was cut up, and a portion was given to the European in question, who was on the point of eating highly of by the other guests. It was cut up, and a portion was given to the European in question, who was on the point of eating some of it, when his servant stopped him with a cry of "Mastermaster, don't eat that; it's a boy!" The horrified European, of course, put down the dainty morsel untasted, and, on questioning the chief, elicited, without any trouble, the fact that in order to show his appreciation of his guest's high qualities he had caused a boy to be killed and cooked, judging this to be the greatest compliment he could pay to the visitor. The dish served consisted of one of the thighs of the unfortunate victim—the "joint" which was considered the tenderest and the most choice—and the chief seemed to feel a considerable amount of pride in the step he had taken to show his hospitality.

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Among races living in a savage state, cannibalism has existed almost universally. In some cases, its object has been, avowedly, the satisfying of hunger, as among the Monbouttons and other African tribes, who kept regular shambles for the sale of human flesh; while in others the prime object has been the indignity offered to enemies, and the appropriation of the qualities that belonged to the victims. In some few cases, as amongst the former inhabitants of Mexico, cannibalism has been kept up after a high degree of civilisation has been attained, through some connection between it and the religious rites of the people.

As lately as 1861, a British consul on the Gold Coast wrote:—
"People in England would hardly believe that in these days, whilst I write, cannibalism is almost as rampant on the West Coast of Africa as it ever has been." He quotes, in support of his statement, the following extract from the report of a missionary in that part of the world—"Mr. Priddy, who is employed by the Society, stated that the practice of cannibalism was still indulged in during the late war, and that he saw hampers of dried human flesh carried upon the backs of men, upon which they intended to feast."

The Fiji islanders who have now abandoned this aborniable.

The Fiji islanders, who have now abandoned this abominable practice, had a very evil reputation in this respect. "Why do you eat your enemies?" a French engineer once asked a Fijian. "Because," was the reply, "they are excellent eating, as good as pork or veal." Dr. Harvey was told by a ship-captain that he had seen a hundred human bodies laid out for one of the great feasts of this people. Sometimes the victims were cooked whole, placed in a sitting posture, with fans in their hands, and ornamented as if alive; and carried in state as a grand head-dish. "Paka balava," or "long pig," was the name given by these savages to cooked human flesh, in distinction to "dina balava," or "true pig." According to Captain Erskine, all enemies killed in battle in Fiji were eaten; and, as the source of supply was not sufficient to meet the demand for "long pig," kidnapping parties used to visit the domains of other tribes with a view to securing victims; women and slaves were not allowed to partake of this luxury, though they were supposed to satisfy their curiosity or inclination in secret. It has even been asserted that in times of scarcity the Fijians did not object to banqueting upon their dearest friends, and that not object to banqueting upon their dearest friends, and that families would make an exchange of children for this horrid purpose. Dr. Harvey relates that, when in Fiji, a case came to his knowledge in which a man ordered his wife to heat the oven, as he had brought some friends to feast with him. She did so, and asked him where the food was? "You are the food," was the reply of this model spouse, as he clubbed her on the head, and proceeded to thrust her into the oven which, below here are a this hidding. to thrust her into the oven which she had prepared at his bidding. Travellers say that, at a comparatively recent date, the inhabitants of the Marquesas Islands were in the habit of wooing the plumpest damsels they could meet with among the neighbouring tribes, wedding them, and then eating them. wedding them, and then eating them.

Captain Cook, who was especially instructed to inquire into the alleged cannibalism of the natives of the Pacific Islands, reported alleged cannibalism of the natives of the Pacific Islands, reported that it did not, as had been imagined, take the form of an occasional excess, induced by a feeling of revenge against enemies, but that human flesh was their habitual and almost daily food. So deeply rooted was the love of cannibalism among some of these vibes that even their adoption of Christianity did not put an end to it, and the Roman Catholic missionaries always knew what was meant when, on confessing, a convert disclosed the fact that he had eaten "a black pig without hair." Fifty years ago man-eating was rampant close to the borders of Cape Colony. The cannibals dwelt in caves in the country of the Basutos, and though their district was literally alive with game of all sorts, and was a fine agricultural country into the bargain, they were not contented with merely hunting down and devouring their enemies, but preyed merely hunting down and devouring their enemies, but preyed upon one another, their wives and children falling victims in times

The African explorer, Du Chaillu, speaks in the strongest terms of the prevalence of cannibalism among the Fans. It appears that they carried on a large trade in dead bodies with the Oshebas and other tribes. The standard price seems to have been a small tusk of ivory for one body, or a large tusk for two. In his account of the aborigines of Australia, Dr. Lang mentions the curious fact that the dead body of a man slain in battle was never eaten by his enemies, but by his own friends and relatives. The captain of a whaler, during a stay at Easter Island, contracted such a liking for one of the young natives that he took him away home and gave him a good education, and opportunities of acquiring the habits of civilised life. After a time he carried him back to the island, with the idea that his culture would be the means of inducing the rest of the natives to desert their savage automs. His affections te friends. the natives to desert their sayage customs. His affectionate friends, however, frustrated the good intentions of their would-be benefactor,

for, finding the young man fat, and in good condition, they took

him with as much rapidity as possible to a quiet spot, killed, and ate him. Cannibals do not like the flesh of whites, finding it bitter and salt; while, in spite of the latter quality, it does not, they say, when at all well. Negroes are considered by them to be the best eating, and the favourite portions are the palms of the hands.

A NEW GUINEA JACK THE GIANT KILLER

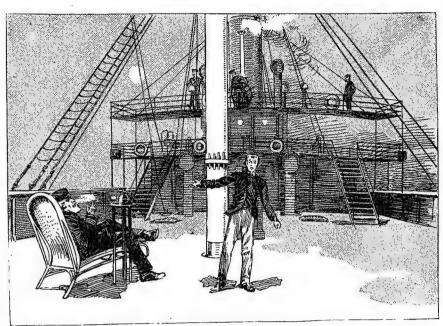
Tits popular Papuan legen has attracted from time to time a coal deal of interested attention from intelligent travellers in New Content, and it is doubtless one of the best "yarns" it in the papual to the native and the papual to the native have among their traditionary records. An all the monster Tauni-kapi-kapi territorial with a kind of supernatural away as the studied of devils, and the monster Tauni-kapi-kapi territorial with the biggest of the "devil-devil-devil-kapi-kapi stood about 150 feet high in his bare-test, and measured about the length of a cricket-wicker pitch around the chest. He was can champion kind of Sumson in all respects, and although the coast tribes to the south of Mirine-when they were interested on the south of Mirine-when they were interested on the south of Mirine-when they were interested on the rost of the giant mountain hes oa popropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa appropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa appropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa appropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa popropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa popropriately occupied. The mirine was called as a possible on the crest of the giant mountain hes oa popropriately occupied. The mirine was called the work of the coast of the giant mountain he oa of the giant he was a decreased on the giant mountain he oa of the giant he was a decreased on the giant mountain he oa of the giant he countain he destruction of the giant he countain he decreased on the giant he

As was to be expected, the young man was greatly glorified by the people of that particular part of the country. The medicinemen, who have loyally preserved the traditional history of this imposing event from generation to generation, have always been unmimous in extolling the bravery and wonderful prowess of the youthful David who rid the country for ever of Tauni-kapi-kapi. He became chief of the confederated coast-tribes, and the only difference of opinion in regard to him among the Papuan historians has been as to the number of wives he subsequently possessed. Some authorities have it that he was "voted" thres hundred right away, by way of substantial acknowledgment of his services, and that he doubled that number later on. Others affirm that he possessed as many as two thousand wives; but in

any case it is abundantly evident that during the maturer years of his life he had quite enough "better-halves" to make him wish that he had not a complished the revengeful task of slaying the devil of Mount Owen Stanley. "ANGLO-PAPUAN"

"THE LITTLE STOWAWAY"

MUCH has been heard lately for and against the performance of more or less dramatic "sketches" at the music-halls. The theatres complain that such "sketches" are practically stage plays, and that if the music-halls are allowed to produce them the theatres should be permitted to allow smoking and drinking in the auditorium. We



engrave herewith a scene from one of the most frequently mentioned of these "sketches," "The Little Stowaway," performed in October at the Paragon Theatre of Vatieties in the Mile End Road. It is simply an adaptation of the well-known song, "The Little Hero," and describes how the little Cockney stowaway is threatened with death by the brutal captain, but softens the tyrant's heart by begging that he may say his prayers before he is strung up. They become fast friends, and the stowaway sings a song describing a London "doss" house. A few moments afterwards a slave dhow boards the vessel, and the stowaway, in saving the captain's life, loses his own. The music with which the sketch is interspersed consists of well-known English songs, both comic and sentimental. "The whole affair," says our artist, "is simply a well-mounted musical sketch, better acted and sung than is usual with pieces of the kind."

A RUN THROUGH SPAIN

I.

In the month of May I had a run through Spain in company with a friend. We took circular tickets at Marseilles—sixteen pounds each, first-class—which made things tolerably easy for us, and saved some forty or fifty per cent. We sometimes had to do twenty hours at a stretch, and the trains have a bad habit of starting in the middle of the night. The tickets, after taking us pretty well everywhere, would have brought us back to Marseilles; but, being pretty familiar with the northern frontier, we gave them up at Bayonne.

The first beginnings of our journey were laudably directed to Roman antiquities. Having studied the lions of Arles, we came on to Perpignan, on the line skirting the Mediterranean, and then thirty miles on to Port Bou, where our Spanish adventures began. It was market-day at Perpignan, and I sat in the open air in front of a café, and a big French farmer came to me and opened up a conversation.

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"You are an English milor," he said to me.

I hastened to disown the soft impeachment.

He looked disappointed. "But you are very rich. Ah, you English are very rich."

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Still intent on Roman remains, we left our fonda at Tarragona to go about in a drizzling rain to see what we could of them. For Roman remains and Gothic architecture Tarragona is one of the most interesting places in Spain. What interested and puzzled me really very much was the old Cyclopæan architecture, long before the Roman time. Roman literature has much to say about Tarragona, which was the spot where Augustus issued the decree which closed the Temple of Janus. At Saguntum we are in the very middle of Punic and Roman history; but its very remains have been ruined, and become a quarry above ground to successive spoliators. The place certainly brought our Livy into recollection. When we reached the south of Spain we ceased to look up Roman remains. The spell of the Moor was upon us, the still living charm of his era, and we gave ourselves to it unreservedly.

With Barcelona I was especially delighted. Not even at Madrid or Seville was there such cheerful, active life. The Catalans are not really a Spanish people. With all their virtues they are thoroughly turbulent and republican. We stayed at an hotel on the Rambla, one of the streets of the world. This was the only hotel in Spain where the table d'hôte wine was really generous and good. In the morning it is bright with flowers on the marble slabs; in the evening it is a great open drawing-room with crowds of promenaders. The Opera House is one of the biggest in the world. We had a talk with the English Consul, the successor of James Hannay, of whom so many of us have pleasant associations. People are glad to get to Spain for travel, but what as the consul's office was the noble statue of Columbus, whose body rests at Seville, a statue which might hold its own with that at Seville, a statue which might hold its own with that at Seville, a statue which might hold its own with that at Seville, a statue whi

a thorough restoration, without which it would fall to pieces. In the next place, the Duc de Montpensier, who has the best palace, garden, and picture gallery in the city, is on ill terms with the authorities, and the Palace of St. Telmo is now entirely shut up. The most frantic efforts were made by some of the tourists to get the rule rescinded in their favour, but it was found to be inflexible. It was possible, by julicious manipulation, to get behind the boarding of the Cathedral, but it was not possible to manage the palace. Intending tourists should know that there are these great drawbacks at Seville. Nevertheless, there was a great deal to be seen without them. The maryellous Gitalda Tower, the most beautiful of Moorish minarets, is not likely to run away. The Alcazar Palace surpassed our expectations. The palace itself, with its beautiful Moorish work, is most interesting, but the old garden, scented with the orange-blossoms, was peculiarly grateful. At the opera house there was a grand new opera and a good new singer. I am quite satisfied that Seville ought to be added by the faculty to the list of health resorts. The climate is most delightful, and I know cases of advanced chest disease which have been cured or greatly alleviated. During the summer heats the patients should get away to a cooler clime. Towards evening we drove out along the banks of the tawny Guadalquiver, "the ride," as fashionable a promenade as the Prado at Madrid. These two "rides" are immensely picturesque; you often see carriages with four or five horses, and mounted cavaliers, with their flying cloaks. Especially observe the way in which ladies handle the fan. It has quite a science and language of its own. Just now it is being used as a screen to ward off the rays of the sunset. The fan does all but talk. If the donna does not wish to see a person it serves as a screen, and if she does want to see a person it has boundless capacities in the way of signalling. The picturesque manitila is rather going out of fashion. Being of a s

appropriately crowns the testival. I met one young lady, of mixed English and American birth, who told me that she had been to eight bull-fights, and that there was nothing which she liked better.

The Andalusian bulls are the most famous of all; the Seville fights at Easter were only inferior to those at Madrid. It is in the spring that Seville is most crowded, and all the hotel prices are double. Two great occasions come very close, the Great Fair and the Easter Week. During the fair one of the suburbs becomes a city of booths, with private tents for the nobility, and so on through all the varieties of an Eastern bazaar.

"Murray." tells us that we ought to see the gipsy dances, and advises us to see them at Seville, rather than anywhere else. They are well reproduced at the Spanish Exhibition in London, the only real Spanish business in the whole affair. Some writers accuse their dances of indecency. I saw nothing of the sort. The whole performance seems insufferably wearisome and dull. To beguile the time, or rather to get some good out of it, I began studying a Spanish work. But I soon found out that reading a book gave great offence to the audience. Several persons remonstrated with me on my rudeness and inattention, and feeling rather guilty on the subject I closed the volume, and speedily developed a retreat. I had another rather curious experience. Still observing an abject obedience to "Murray," we went to visit the famous State cigar manufactory. We were charged a peseta each for admission. All the pesetas were devoted towards the restoration of the Cathedral, as seemed to be the case with all the pesetas charged for entrance to public institutions. The Seville people are certainly doing all they can towards this great object; help, too, is rendered throughout all the country; the State, too, will ultimately assist if necessary. This great cigar manufactory is worked by some five thousand women, most of them girls, and these girls very much of the kind made familiar by Bizet's Carmen. I need hardly s

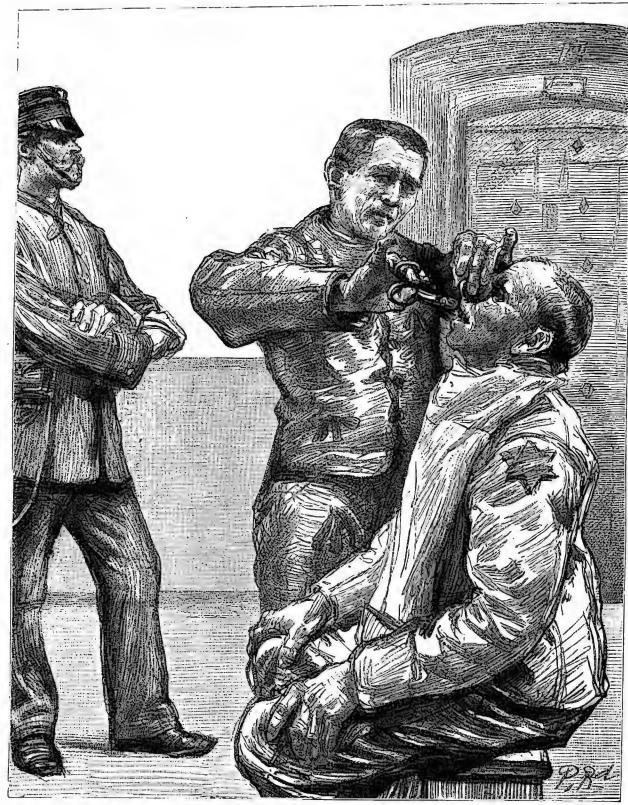
time and money which would be intolerable to an Englishman, and is one of the heaviest items which weighs against Spanish prosperity.

From Seville to Cordova was an easy run. We did not stay long at Cordova, but I managed several visits to the famous Cathedral Mosque. Anything less would be inadequate. We entered through the famous Court of Orange Trees (Patio de los Naranjos), where the fountains pleasantly babble to the babbling talk of the idlers and the beggars largely gathered. At once we are lost in the Forest of a Thousand Pillars.

As a recent writer says: "Imagine four acres of ground, planted with twelve hundred palm-trees, which when fully grown are cut off at a height of forty feet, leaving only the tall straight trunks standing in long lines, and forming a succession of colonnades, all of which are covered with one mighty roof—that is the Mosque of Cordova." I am not going to join in the chorus of lamentation that the Cathedral element has been introduced into the Mosque, so different from other Spanish Cathedrals with their broad aisles and soaring roofs. If the pagan or rather Moslem temple was to be turned into a Christian church there must have been a measure of alteration on some such lines as those followed. The Coro that rises in the centre has the finest stalls (silleria) in Spain, with panels illustrating hundreds of Scripture subjects, all carved with most exquisite finish. The choir books are mentioned as finely illuminated, but I found this to be the case in all the Spanish Cathedrals. The immense silver lamp hanging before the high altar, of enormous weight, is one of the few finest in Spain. The guide-books mention some other sights in Cordova, and our guide duly conveyed them to us. But they are not worth speaking about in comparison. The Mosque is Cordova, and Cordova is the Mosque.

CONVICT LIFE AT WORMWOOD SCRUBS PRISON-PART V

DRAWN BY PAUL RENOUARD. WRITTEN BY F. W. ROBINSON, Author of "Grandmother's Money," &c.



MUTUAL HELP AMONG CONVICTS-CLIPPING HIS MOUSTACHE

HE male prisoner is not allowed to wear beard or moustaches, and there are shaving days on which one prisoner shaves

and there are shaving days on which one prisoner snaves another, and makes him as neat and tidy and presentable as a razor (not always of the finest quality) and soap will ailow. The prisoner is permitted his bath, too—once a fortnight, we believe, is the regulation time—but, as a rule, he does not regard it as a luxury, and would in most cases be very much obliged if the warders would not bother him with these little attentions. He has not have a counterpart to be the in the days of his liberty—cleanliness has been accustomed to baths in the days of his liberty-cleanliness has been as far removed from any thought of his as godliness—and a regular ablution of the human form divine is to his secret mind a most preposterous proceeding. But he bears it, if he does not grin over it, and thanks his stars when it is all over, and he has got well over it, and thanks his stars when it is all over, and he has got well into his clean kit. The baths are side by si-le—between fifty and sixty of them, as aforesaid—and the whole is a well-arranged feature of the prison-system at the Scrubs. The water is kept at a temperature of fifty-five degrees, and the general verdict is that it is cold—stone cold—horribly cold. Sometimes it is at sixty degrees, but it is still objected to, and se-retly anathematised.

"They would like it at ninety," says the warder in charge; "that might satisfy them but I don't know that it would."

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"I suppose some prisoners would prefer their baths more frequently?" we ask.

"Very few of that sort here," is the reply

"Might a prisoner nave an extra bath if he wished?" we venture to inquire, with an innocence of expression that takes the worder off his ouard.

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"Do you think we pamper them like that?" is the indignant rejoinder. "We should have enough to do, if we did."

But he did not mean in the way of baths, we fancy.

We have the curiosity to inspect the kits to which reference has just been made; they are kept in a store-room especially constructed for the purpose, and a large assortment of "gents' underclothing," as the hosiers phrase it, is here p esented to the view. Everything requisite for a week's or a fortnight's wear is packed up in a neat bundle, well washed and aired, and scrupulously clean. We have our doubts as to the exact fit, there being more variety in length and width of the human form divine at Wormwood Scrubs than there appear to be in the undergarments provided for its wear; but

it is possible we are too critical. Prisoners, like beggars, "must not be choosers," but the socks or stockings struck us as extra large, capable of enclosing the most Brobdingnagian of feet. Never were such stockings for capacity out of a pantomime, nothing like them is ever in a shop-window. Gazing at them mournfully and wonderingly one speculates what becomes of these stockings in the boots of an undersized man, or some one not blessed with mammoth "splays?" Does he double them up underneath, or fold them over the top, or get it all into a ball—a genuine foot-ball—at mammoth "splays?" Does he double them up underneath, or fold them over the top, or get it all into a ball—a genuine foot-ball—at the heel, we speculate? It is probable that there are other sizes in stock, but we were not shown them, and they looked to us all of most noble and commanding proportions.

The prisoners on the separate system are in their respective cells working away busily, if not cheerily. Each man glances askance at us as we enter his cell and examine his work; the making of Post-office hags appears to be the principal employment on this

at us as we enter his cell and examine his work; the making of Post-office bags appears to be the principal employment on this occasion. To save time and the distraction of the prisoners' thoughts we glance very frequently through "the inspections" without disturbing the prisoners; they appear all to be working diligently, to be even absorbed in their work, but of what are they thinking? Do they know of the "sickness called Remorse," as the author of "Ben-Hur" has it? a few of them possibly, not many.

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Sometimes a special piece of work is allowed to be undertaken by a prisoner who shows natural gifts that way. In the stereotyping room is exhibited a clever bit of metal work, in the shape of a star, constructed by one of the "old hands," and the stone eagle is exhibited as a piece of sculpture done by an amateur with a bias towards carving.

The convict had been impressed by a plate in one of his library books, a work on Natural History. It represented an eagle—a spread eagle—and he studied it very attentively. He had known nothing of carving before his entrance into prison, and it had not been taught him here; but in the stonework and masonry department he had displayed a thandiness with his tools that was a little remark-

"I think I could carve that, if I may," he said, and, being a well-conducted prisoner, and some curiosity being aroused as to his powers in that direction, he was permitted to attempt the experiment. It was a labour of several weeks, and a labour of love,

and the prisoner worked away with his chisel at the slab of stone, and with the engraving as a pattern before him. The result, if not a triumph of Art, was perfectly satisfactory to all parties concerned. The stone eagle is now to be seen at Wormwood Scrubs, a remarkable instance of natural talent in a prisoner. He was employed afterwards, we believe, on the finer portions of the chapel work, where he rendered considerable service till the expiration of his

time.

M. Renouard has depicted one convict at the Scrubs who has contrived to attract the pigeons of the neighbourhood to his cell window at a certain period of the day. When he is "at home" he lures the birds by various signs and signals, and by offering them some crumbs from his own scanty fare. Here they are fluttering round his window, and doubtless affording him no small pleasure in the contribution as an impact of particle has done before his time and to

round his window, and doubtless affording him no small pleasure in his captivity, as animated nature has done before his time and to prisoners of a higher grade than he.

The female convict, by theory, is particularly skilful at times in training a sparrow, or a mouse; she devotes her whole attention to the task, and succeeds in an extraordinary degree. One woman, in the old Millbank days, by the daily sacrifice of a portion of her six-ounce loaf, succeeded in training a mouse to answer to her call, to take its place by her side during her meals, and even to accompany her to chapel, snugly hidden away in the bosom or sleeve of her dress. Her love was great for this mouse, and the study of it kept her a quiet and well-behaved prisoner, till a convict more callous than herself, and resenting it as so much misplaced affection, one day slipped into her cell, imitated the call to which the mouse was wont to respond, seized upon the poor little animal, who was, unfortunately, too prompt to obey the summons, and bit its tail off. This and to respond, seized apon the poor in the animat, who was, unfortunately, too prompt to obey the summons, and bit its tail off. This and other instances of animal taming are detailed in the writer's "Female Life in Prison," we may add to those who are interested in the subject. Sparrows are occasionally tamed and trained also—some prison matrons from the old days may still remember "Bobby," who was accustomed to hop round a prisoner's table with a prisoner's table with a who was accustomed to hop round a prisoner's table with a paper bonnet on its head, and to draw behind him a paper cart of the prisoner's construction, and to which he had been harnessed by threads of cotton—poor Bobby, who met a direful fate in the flames of the gas-burner, and was singed to death, to the great grief of his trainar. trainer

But of female convicts under new rules and regulations, and in newer prisons, we have dwelt upon in former articles; our business lies at Wormwood Scrubs for a short while longer. Our time is drawing short here, and we have seen all that is to be seen, or that has been thought deserving of our notice.

Work is now ending for the day; there is a stir in this big prionhims it continues.

hive—it is getting close on supper-time, and the sun is going down. The prisoners in the open are leaving their work, delivering up their tools, mustering in gangs, standing in various sections of the prison ground like soldiers on parade waiting orders to present

The warders are making sure of their customers by a final search—a last "run over"—before the convicts return to their cells. It is as well to be certain—though the tools have been already counted—that a stray chisel or hammer is not in secret possession of one or another of these black sheep, and whilst the men stand in line the officers walk to the back and front of them, and pass their hands over them

hands over them.

Everything being satisfactory in this respect, the head warder, Mr. Stone, takes his stand, notebook in hand, in a part of the prison which they all must pass, and one by one each division of men, with a warder or two in charge, tramps by him at the double-quick—and a grim and sorrowful rogues' march it is.

Here tramp by at least three-fourths of the gaol-birds—a little army quite capable of overpowering the score or two score of officers in charge of them, if these convicts had the will, or if, having the will, they had the courage and the unanimity to dare as much. But most of them have the sound common-sense to know that this style of thing would not pay in the long run, that it would all end in "confusion worse confounded," in a deprivation of marks, and longer time, and punishment cells, and in those ugly handcuffs, and cat-o'-nine tails, and tripod stands from the chain room.

Each division marches past us, with shoulders squared and head erect, and many are the final glances taken of us as the prisoners file by. The officer in charge salutes his superior officer, calls out the number of his men—he has already counted heads before the men are set in motion supperwards—the number of his ward, and his own name and number—and Warder Stone carefully and quietly jots down the amount of human cargo in his note-book, and waits his own name and number—and Warder Stone carefully and quietly jots down the amount of human cargo in his note-book, and waits for the next contingent to arrive, when the same ceremony goes on. And this till the last batch of the devil's regiment—as one disposed to be cynical might term these atoms from our shadow land—has marched by, and "all's told," and the human accounts are quite right, and everybody safe. The head-gaoler tots up his figures, and finds they agree with the number that have been out at work that afternoon, then the prisoners drift away to their cells to awant tieir modicum of loaves and tea, or loaves and gruel, and are again reckoned up to make quite sure, after the cell door has bangel to and the indicator bell has rung, that it is "all in" at Wormwood Scrubs.

There is no more left us to do but to thank our guides for all the trouble we have given them, and to go home. The gate-keeper shuts his big door, after a cheery "good evening," and bars and lolives out, not reluctantly probably. Prison visitors rather disture the even tenor of things, and give a little trouble—but we appear to have been welcome visitors for all that. Two of the officers if duty in their mess-room are indulging in a game of billiards as we pass out, and they give us a friendly "good night," and languish the twinkling eyes after us, as if wondering what our mission may have been, or, knowing our mission, what we mean to say about it.

about it.

But we have nothing but good words for Wormwood Scrubs; it is an admirably conducted prison, everything works like a machine, and there is little to disturb the even tenor of its dreary way. It is part of the benighted land where crime is under lock and key, and safely housed for a year or two—for a long, long time, the end of which is very difficult to realise, and last or saddest of all—for life!

of all—for life!

This prison will shortly be very full—but it will be supplied from other prison-houses, which will close for good, and over which a white flag may be flying presently, as we believe the custom is in Germany, to denote that business is suspended, and that the gad is empty. Such a symbol of better days would warm the heart of many a philanthropist. For numbers are on the decrease, despite the large increase of population. Our entire prison communities at the end of March, 1887, numbered throughout England and Wales 15,457; on March 31st, of the present year, we had

reduced that number to 14,396. The highest number of prisoners shown in any of the monthly returns was 15,914 on October 4th, 1887, and the lowest was 14,559 on January 3rd, 1888; the highest number being 9:1 per cent. above the lowest number since 1876-77; the decrease in male prisoners amounts to 25:3 per cent., whilst the female convict—honour to the fair sex—may shortly be quite an extinct creature like the dodo, if she continue to beat the record in her present extraordinary and praiseworthy fashion; for the decrease in the number of female convicts over the same period of time as the males is no less than 41.2 per cent.

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Who knows—perhaps the great prison at the Scrubs may be the last of the gaols, and we may require no more. It is a sad storehouse, we think, as we turnour back upon its high walls and stroll along Du Cane Road towards the railway station—to Wormwood Scrubs proper, where the life and revelry are increasing with the twilight, and the steam-roundabouts and cockshies are getting extra busy with the later hours.

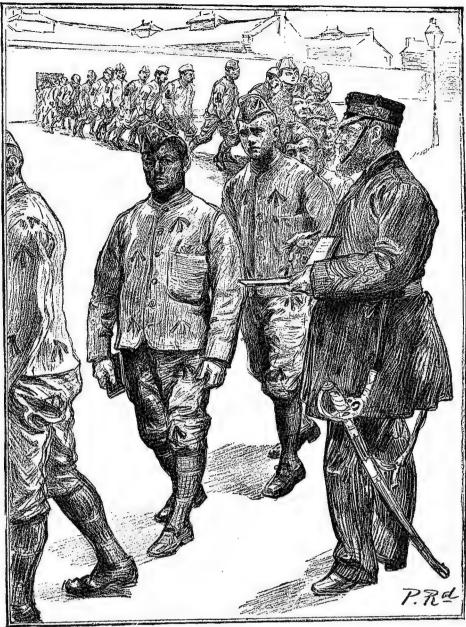
A DAY'S CUB-HUNTING IN PEMBROKESHIRE

PEMBROKESHIRE

A NINE hours' journey by rail from Paddington takes us to New Milford, where we find a boat writing for us, and, after a row or sail of three or four miles, we step on shore at the Ferry House at Lawrenny and walk up through the wood to the castle, the home of the Master of the Pembrokeshire Foxhounds, not long ago hunted as two packs—the Pembrokeshire and South Pembrokeshire—but now united and hunted as one by the present keen and energetic master and huntsman (Mr. F. Lort Phillips). A bath and a change dispel the traces of our night journey, and, after breakfasting, we stroll over to the stables and admire our host's capital stud of hunters.

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Next day we are up by daybreak, for the meet is on the other side of the Haven. We walk down to the kennels by the waterside, where "old Merriman" and the hounds are all in



THE CHIEF WARDER COUNTING THE PRISONERS AFTER THE DAY'S WORK

readiness for us, and thence a few hundred yards to the ferry, where we get on board the horse-boat, the hounds crowding in, well used to doing so—(the horses have been sent over before, and await us on the opposite bank)—one perhaps more venturesome or careless than the rest getting too near the edge of the boat, and slipping or being pushed overboard by some of the others. We must pick her up again, or she will have a long swim for it.

A jog of a few miles, in crisp, fresh air of a clear October morning, along the lanes and by woods rich with the tints of autumn, brings us to the rendezvous, where we find some sportsmen, who are keen enough to turn out so early. We hear there are plenty of cubs about, and presently the hounds are in cover, and we have not long to wait ere we know that one fox at least is astir, and the hounds after him; for a long time he dodges about the woods, but at last the place is too hot for him, and he breaks into the open. In no time the hounds and huntsmen are on his track, and away they go. We follow as best we can; our fox is a strong one and a cunning. He leads us a long chase, and at length runs to earthinan unstoppeddrain, and refuses to bolt. The hounds are taken back to cover, and soon another cub is afoot, and gives us another good gallop. But our space is limited, and our aim is not to chronicle the events of one particular run, but to describe our sketches. Enough that we have had a good day's sport, and as it is getting late we turn homewards. We have many miles to go, and daylight fades away long before we reach the Ferry. It is a long row over in the dark, and we must make one journey do if we can. So into the horse-boat we gethounds, horses, huntsmen, and all. The grey mare, however, declines, and after trying all persuasion we are compelled to give it up, and leave her with old George to come over later. We cross in safety, but cannot help thinking of a melancholy event which occurred on this very Haven not very long ago, and of what it must be to cross on a dark win round.



THE PRISONER AND HIS FAVOURITE BIRDS



THE Royal wedding in GREECE produced immense enthusiasm throughout the country. Proud of the Duke of Sparta as their first orthodox Greek heir to the Crown, the Hellenes are especially flattered by his brilliant match, and accordingly spared no pains to fitly welcome the bride and her train of Imperial and Royal relatives. Athens was completely packed with visitors, while many steamers were converted into floating hotels. The city was gay with garlands, Greek and German flags, and triumphal arches, and steamers were converted into floating hotels. The city was gay with garlands, Greek and German flags, and triumphal arches, and even the street vehicles were decorated, as Princess Sophie made her triumphal entry. The Princess, with her mother and sisters, was greeted at Kalamaki, on the Isthmus of Corinth, by her flance and the King, and escorted in a Greek vessel to the Piræus, where Queen Olga and the other Royal ladies were waiting. Artillery subtree and loved cheers welcomed Princess Sophie along the route salutes and loud cheers welcomed Princess Sophie along the route to the Palace, continuing till she came out on the balcony to bow to the people. An equally hearty reception awaited the German Emperor and Empress on their arrival next day, although the welcome was somewhat more ceremonious and formal, the streets being lined with troops. In the evening Athens was splendidly illuminated, the effect of the Acropolis being especially grand, while a torchlight procession of Greek trades'-guilds defiled before the Palace to congratulate the bride and the Royal guests. Sunday, Palace to congratulate the bride and the Royal guests. Sunday, the wedding-day, brought magnificent warm weather, so that the bridal party could drive to the Cathedral in open carriages, much to the delight of the crowds who thronged every inch of space from roof to footpath. The wedding procession was escorted by cavalry, and included eight carriages filled with Royal relatives preceding the bride, who, with Queen Olga, occupied a gorgeous gala coach, drawn by six black hoises with silver trappings. The bridegroom, with his father and two brothers, rode by the side. Princess Sophie wore a white satin dress and train, ornamented with silver Renaissance embroidery, lace, and garlands of myrtle and orange-blossom. sance embroidery, lace, and garlands of myrtle and orange-blossom, and the beautiful lace veil worked at the Silesian schools. The Greek wedding-ceremony lasted an hour and a-half, Princes Albert Victor and George holding the marriage Crown over the bride's head, while the two younger Greek Princes performed the same office for the bridegroom. A grand salute was fired at the close, and the congregation cheered as the bridal pair left for the Palace and the congregation cheered as the bridal pair left for the Palace by a different route—Greek tradition deeming it unlucky to return by the same way. The Protestant Marriage Service followed in the King's private chapel, Dr. Kögel of the Berlin Cathedral officiating, and a gala banquet and illuminations closed the day. On Monday the newly-married couple held a cheirophilema, or reception for the kissing of the bride's hand; and, after luncheon with the Royal party, they drove to their own palace, where King George formally installed them in their new home. A State ball on Tuesday ended the official fectivities. Tuesday ended the official fectivities.

The German Emperor's presence at Athens has highly gratified the Greeks. Emperor William is no less pleased with his reception, and lapsed into poetic enthusiasm when he telegraphed to Prince Bismarck from "the city of Pericles and the pillars of the Parthenon, whose sublime aspect leaves on me a deep impression," speaking further of his "voyage of intoxicating charm." But he carefully put forward the family aspect of the visit rather than the political, rightly deeming that too pronounced Hellenic sympathies might spoil the cordiality of his welcome at Constantinople. So his speech at the gala banquet contained nothing but compliments to the Greek Court and the Athenians, although on such occasions the Emperor generally makes some noteworthy remark beyond mere diplomatic courtesies. He left Athens on Thursday with the mere diplomatic courtesies. He left Athens on Thursday with the Empress, and is expected at Constantinople to-day (Saturday). The Sultin will pay every honour to his guests, who are to be lodged in the Yildiz Kiosk. An imposing array of war-ships will meet the Hohenzollern, and the usual programme is arranged of naval manœuvres, a military review, gala banquets, and illuminations. The political aim of the visit is canvassed from every point of view, for, despite official declarations, no one will believe that Emperor William comes simply for the beauties of the Bosaltofus. Russia, indeed, cannot conceal her anxiety lest German influence should injure her position with the Porte, especially as the Sultan should injure her position with the Porte, especially as the Sultan has long admired everything German. But at home in GERMANY official and non-official writers busily assert that Emperor William has no other object than to extend and strengthen the league of peace, like Prince Bismarck and Count Kalnoky when they meet this week at Friedrichsruhe. The Reichstag are now discussing the Budget, which has caused some lively scenes through the Government demands for extra credit, and the new Socialist Bill has also been laid before Parliament. This measure extends the present law indefinitely-hitherto it has had to be renewed every two years—but modifies some of the most rigid regulations, such as requiring police permission before holding meetings, and the rules for suppressing newspapers.

FRANCE continues unusually quiet. The new Chambers meet on the 12th inst., and there will be no Ministerial changes before then, as President Carnot wishes the Ministerial changes before then, as President Carnot wishes the Ministers to remain in office at present. By early next year, however, M. Tirard, the Premier, and M. Spuller, the Foreign Minister, will probably retire, admitting a more "Moderate" element to the Cabinet, M. Léon Say to wit. Such alterations would be in keeping with the present Government wish to rely on the Moderates for support. On their side, the Opposition are greatly divided, and only a few Reactionaries appeared at the meeting specially called the decide of On their side, the Opposition are greatly divided, and only a lew Reactionaries appeared at the meeting specially called to decide on their policy. The Boulangists have revived feebly this week, indulging in a mild demonstration at the funeral of the General's uncle, M. Griffiths, but the police promptly crushed the ebullition. Funeral manifestations are frequent, for the Orleanists have lost M. Lambert de S.e. Croix, one of the Comte de Paris' chief advisers, and all Paris has largested the death of the eminent dramatist and all Paris has lamented the death of the eminent dramatist. Emile Augier, whose funeral was attended by a host of celebrities. The French and Italian journals still wrangle over Tunis, and the Debats has now joined the fray to support M. Jules Ferry's statements. Baron Haussmann's forthcoming memoirs, containing some piquant diplomatic revelutions, and the closing of the Exhibition piquant diplomatic revelutions, and the closing of the Exhibition next Wednesday, are the chief Parisian topics, while the provinces suffer from the heavy rains, which have wrought much disaster in

The funeral of the late King of PORTUGAL took place at Lisbon with great pomp on Saturday. Indeed, the elaborate rites and funeral procession were so lengthy that the ceremonial occupied ten hours. Yet the people who lined the streets from Belem to San Vincente waited patiently the whole day, and were so orderly that Vincente watted patiently the whole day, and were so orderly that no police or troops were needed to keep the way for the procession, soldiers being posted only at each end. On the arrival of King Carlos at the church of the Jeronomist Monastery, where the late King's tody had lain in State for five days, the coffin was placed on King stody had fain in State for five days, the comit was placed on the funeral car; but the Royal party sat at the church doors for a whole hour till some three hundred private carriages, provincial deputations, fire brigades, and Government officials had started. Then came the representatives of foreign Powers, the Royal Princes and King Carlos, the ecclesiastics, and three carriages bearing respec-

wreaths, immediately smothered in flowers. brought up the rear. The Lisbon Garrison and provincial troops brought up the rear. The Queen and the Duchess of Aosta were waiting at the Church of St. Vincente—a severely handsome edifice draned in black, with silver and gold, embroideries; and after an draped in black, with silver and gold embroideries; and after an impressive service, wherein the Cardinal Patriarch delivered an impressive service, wherein the Cardinal Patriarch delivered an oration on the virtues of the late King, the body was carried to the Pantheon, and placed on a cata/alque in the centre of the vault near the coffin of Dom Luis's grandfather, Pedro IV. Queen Maria Pia goes constantly to the Pantheon to pray at her husband's tomb, Her Majesty feeling her loss most deeply. Probably she will shortly go to Moncalieri to stay with her sister, Princess Clotilde; but if she does not live in Portugal she will lose half her State allowance of nearly 13,000. She may reside in any of the Royal palaces. National mourning will be observed for three months, and the Portuguese have already distinguished their late Sovereign by the title of Luis the Good. by the title of Luis the Good.

Prince Ferdinand of BULGARIA's foreign tour proves a great Since the Prince went to Bulgaria without seeking the approval of his family, his relations have been rather cool, but he has now made peace with every one, including the head of the family, the Duke of Saxe-Coburg. Another important object of his trip is the choice of a wife, who, according to rumour, will be Princess Louise, daughter of the Duchesse d'Alençon—the favourite sister of the Austrian Empress. The Bulgarians would be delighted at the Prince marrying, and now indulge high hopes that they may obtain recognition in some form, if only the tacit approval of certain Powers. Austria shows her friendliness in various significant ways, allowing the new Bulgarian Loan to be quoted on her Bourses. Thus, the Bulgarian Government will meet the Sobranje with pleasant intelligence at the opening to-morrow (Sunday), the Session having been delayed for a week to suit Prince Ferdinand. Parliament in SERVIA is not so fortunate, for fierce disputes occur in the Skuptschina, where the Liberals have attacked the Government for gagging the Press and expelling foreign correspondents, while they intend to lay Queen Natalie's grievances before the House. The Queen and her son have met again, the latest arrangement being that mother and son shall have an interview every fortnight, but that Her Majesty shall not be admitted to the Palace till she accepts King Milan's terms. It is now proposed that the King shall be elected to Parliament as an ordinary member. Little news comes from CRETE, but the reported Turkish atrocities seem somewhat exaggerated. The refugees in Greece have drawn up a somewhat exaggerated. The refugees in Greece have of Memorandum to the Powers specifying their grievances.

In INDIA, the Viceroy has begun his North-Western tour. The native Press spitefully attack Lord Lansdowne for his recent severity towards the vernacular journals when speaking on the Official Secrets Bill. Yet for a long time the Government has been hampered and annoyed by the unauthorised publication in these hampered and annoyed by the unauthorised publication in these journals of public documents, obtained by corrupting native State officials. The Bombay mill-hands will petition the Viceroy to improve their condition. They want Sunday rest, shorter working hours, and certain pensions. Burma is rather uneasy at the escape of the Mingoon Princs from Pondicherry, where he has lived under French protection since being expelled from Burma for plotting treason. As he legitimately represents the Alompra dynasty he may cause trouble.

The Cronin trial in the UNITED STATES threatens to extend beyond the actual accused—Burke, Coughlin, Beggs, O'Sullivan and Kunze—to impeach the Clan-na-Gael Society. At present the evidence has dealt only with the identity of the body of Dr. Cronin, and the man with whom he was last seen. This trial arouses additional expectation respecting the new Extradition Treaty with England now being discussed by Sir Julian Pauncefote and the Washington Government. The Maritime Conference is still busy with the rules of the road at sea, but has not yet come to any important conclusion. Another maritime subject is Judge M'Donald's important conclusion. Another maritime subject is Judge M'Donald's decision at Halifax that the Canadian authorities were justified in seizing the U.S. fishing vessel David J. Adams, which, he holds, distinctly violated the Fishery Treaty by obtaining bait and ice within the precedible limit. within the proscribed limits.

MISCELLANEOUS.—The Separatist movement in AUSTRIA-FIUNGARY spreads dangerously. Now the Tyrolese want their province divided, so that the Italian-speaking portion—the Trentino—may pos-sess its own Diet and Administration. This claim follows unpleasantly close on the recent Hungarian demands and the petition for the Emperor to be crowned King of Bohemia, which is causing much disturbance in the Bohemian Parliament.—In Russia the annidisturbance in the Bohemian Parliament.—In Russia the anniversary of the Imperial family's preservation in the railway disaster at Borki has been kept with much solemnity.—In SOUTH AFRICA Mr. Shepstone has been chosen ruler of Swaziland to replace the late King.—Captain Wissmann seems doing well in EAST AFRICA, for his forces have soundly beaten Bushiri, besides discovering and executing the Arabs who lately murdered the German official, Nielsen. A military detachment now occupies Mowanwa, owing to its important position Bushiri, besides discovering and executing the Arabs wno lately murdered the German official, Nielsen. A military detachment now occupies Mpwapwa, owing to its important position on the trading route between the Lakes and the coast. The Captain wants to buy gunpowder from the Sultan of Zanzibar, but His Majesty requests the Germans to first return the warehouses and offices they now occupy without rent or permission. Captain Wissmann has lately received letters from Mr. Stanley, and at Zanzibar it is confidently expected that Emin Pasha and Mr. Stanley will reach Mpwapwa by the end of this month.—A wholesale massacre of missionaries has occurred in NEW GUINEA. The natives in the South-East have murdered the Rev. Mr. Savage of the London Missionary Society, with the crew of the Society's cutter Mary and all the native teachers. A British gunboat has gone to punish the outrage.



THE QUEEN will return to Windsor a week earlier than originally arranged, leaving Balmoral on the 13th inst. Her Majesty, at the end of last week, visited Lady Biddulph at Birkhall, and the ex-Empress Eugénie afterwards dined with the Queen, when Mdlle. Janotha played before the Royal party. On Saturday evening, the ex-Empress again dined at Balmoral, the Marquis de Bassano, Mdme. d'Arcos, and the Duke of Rutland also being among the guests. Next morning the Queen and Princess Beatrice attended Divine Service at Balmoral, when the Rev. W. Tulloch officiated, and in the afternoon Her Majesty and the Princess went to Abergeldie to say good-bye to the ex-Empress Eugénie, who left for the South next day. On Monday evening a bonfire was lighted on Craiggowan in honour of Princess Sophie's marriage, and a torchlight procession went thence to Balmoral to drink the bridal couple's health before the Royal party. The Envoys from Zanzibar arrived on Tuesday, and were presented to Her Majesty by Colonel Euan Smith. THE QUEEN will return to Windsor a week earlier than originally

The Prince and Princess of Wales and family have been taking

part in the wedding festivities at Athens. The Royal party visited the chief sights of the city, while the Prince gave a long audience to M. Tricoupis, and dined at the British Legation on Saturday, to M. Tricoupis, and dined at the British Legation on Saturday, The Prince of Wales, with Princes Albert Victor and George, left Athens on Monday, being escorted by most of the Royal gathering to the Piræus, whence the Princes sailed for Port Said in the Osborne. The Princess and daughters, with the Empress Frederick, accompanied them as far as Salamis, the Royal ladies returning to Athens in the Decadanusht. The foreign warships fired a safety accompanied them as lar as Salamis, the Royal ladies returning to Athens in the *Dreadnought*. The foreign warships fired a salute as the *Oshorne* passed, and the British Squadron escorted her some distance. The Princes would arrive in Egypt on Thursday, and, after leaving Prince Albert Victor at Port Said to join the *Oceana* on her way to Bombay, the Prince of Wales and Prince George would land at Alexandria. Although the mourning for the King of Portugal has checked most of the festivities, the Egyptian Government have prepared an elaborate reception. The Princes;

Government have prepared an elaborate reception. The Princess and daughters remain at Athens until the Prince of Wales returns from Egypt in about ten days, when the whole party travel in the Oshorne to Brindisi on their way home.

The Duke of Edinburgh has been ill, with a fresh attack of his old complaint—Maltese fever. Against the advice of his doctors, he hurried from Coburg to attend the King of Portugal's funeral, and when stopping at Paris had a fainting-fit. A second followed at Lisbon, just after he had visited the King and Queen Maria Pia and had laid a wreath on the late King's coffin, and he then left his quarters at the Necessidades Palace for H.M.S. Active in the harbour. He was not well enough to bear the fatigue of the long harbour. He was not well enough to bear the fatigue of the long funeral ceremonies on Saturday, but was much better next day, and left on Monday night for Madrid, whence he starts to-day (Saturday) for Paris and Coburg. He will return to England in December.

—The Duke of Connaught has been inspecting the Bom'ay
Harbour defences with General Roberts.

He will visit Kattywar in December, to present new colours to the 24th Bombay Infantry.

Princess Christian has spent an evening with Queen Elizabeth of Roumania at Wiesbaden, to hear the reading of the Queen's new poetic tragedy Ulranda.



-The thirty-first season of MONDAY POPULAR CONCERTS .-Popular Concerts commenced on Monday last. ropular Concerts commenced on Monday last. As usual at the earlier performances there was no special novelty, although Dvorák's latest and most thoroughly characteristic string quartet in E, Op. 8c, which was heard two or three times last summer in London, was performed for the first time at these concerts. Chopin's London, was performed for the first time at these concerts. Chopin's introduction and *Polonaise Brillante* in C, played by Madame Ilaas and Signor Piatti, closed the programme, which otherwise included Rüst's violin sonata in D minor—an old friend at the "Pops," and again played by Lady Hallé—the first *Rhapsody* by Brahms, one of Chopin's *Nocturnes*, performed by Madame Ilaas, and some songs (including "Oh, Listen to the Voice of Love," by Theodore Hook's father, James Hook, for forty-six years organist and composer at the now defunct Vauxhall Gardens) which were charmingly sung by Miss Liza Lehmann. Both violinist and vocalist were encored. The audience unfortunately, was not a very large one. audience, unfortunately, was not a very large one.

THE NEW SAVOY OPERA. --- Correct intelligence concerning The Yeomen of the Guard last year first came from the United States, to which country it was imperative that advance sketches should be sent. From a similar source we now have (and give under all reserve) a few hints as to the alleged plot of the new Gilbert and Sullivan opera already in rehearsal at the Savoy, but as yet unnamed. It is stated that the central figure is a certain whimsical Doge of Venice, who, disgusted with a Council of Ten who do nothing but sing choruses with twiddling of thumbs, and distrusting aristocrats who sing "We're young men of Venice, And play at lawn tennis, In jackets of varied hue," becomes at heart a Radical, and conspires against himself. At the Council he is compelled to take stern steps against the populace, but in his leisure hours he passes, disguised as a gondolier, among the people, and urges them to depose himself. Eventually, while still disguised, he was a lot compelling him to kill the bore, and so the game of draws a lot compelling him to kill the Doge; and so the game of paradox is alleged to go merrily on. If all this be not pure Gilbertism, it, at any rate, seems an exceedingly clever imitation

DR. SCHOLZ'S SYMPHONY.—Mr. Manns produced on Saturday last a symphony in B flat, Op. 60, by Dr. Bernhard Scholz, the distinguished German contrapuntist, whose compositions although so popular in Germany, are almost entirely unknown in England. Dr. Scholz was born at Mayence in 1835, and studied under Pauer and the renowned harmonist Dr. Dehn. After gaining experience as a teacher and conductor, he was on the death of experience as a teacher and conductor, he was, on the death of Raff, appointed chief of the Hoch Conservatorium at Frankfort A quintet from his pen has already been produced privately at Mr Dannreuther's musical evenings some years ago. His works include three operas, two cantatas, a requiem, and a quantity of chamler music. The symphony in B flat was written six years ago, shortly after the composer had received the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Breslau. Doubtless in order to how his preserve of the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Breslau. show his mastery of technical resource, Dr. Scholz has made the greater part of his symphony a sort of scholastic exercise rather than an effort of inspiration. This is especially the case in regard to the first two movements, which will thoroughly interest the student with a taste for analysis, although the ordinary auditor may be forgiven if he can hardly grass their intricacies at first heating. The given if he can hardly grasp their intricacies at first hearing. The scherzo, which opens with a horn passage suggestive of a hunting scene, is of a far more popular character, while the fina's is probably the best movement of all. At the same concert, Mille, Gambagi sang, Signor Albeniz again essayed Schumann's concerto, which is hardly so well suited to his style as pieces of executive display; and the orchestra performed the Coriolan and Meeresstille overtures.

PROMENADE CONCERTS.—The Fromenade Concert season at Her Majesty's closed on Saturday with a mixed programme of classical and humorous music. It included two movements from of Mozart's symphony in symphony, two move G minor, No. 5, Gounod's "Funeral March of a Marionette," and the *Oberon* and *William Tell* overtures. A special round of applause at the close of the concert was accorded to Signor Bevignani, who has conducted the performances during the past season with marked

The Covent Garden Concerts will come to an end on Saturday of this week. The programmes during the past few days have been composed chiefly of military and miscellaneous music, but on Wednesday of this week the popular pianist, Madame Frickenhaus was announced to appear.

SARASATE CONCERT.—A special feature of the orchestral programme given on Saturday at St. James's Hall by Señor Sarasate was Dr. A. C. Mackenzie's *Pibroch*, recently produced at the Leads Festival, and now performed for the first time in London. The "Rhapsody" came out clearer than at Leeds, but the piece owes any popularity it may enjoy to the marvellously fine performance of the violin-solo by the favourite Spanish artist. Reff's violin Suite and the violin-solo by the favourite Spanish artist. Raff's violin Suite and some smaller works were also in the programme, which opened

with a curious distortion for orchestra of Sebastian Bach's organ in G minor, interspersed with a chorale by somebody else. These things should hardly be permitted at a Classical concert.

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Notes and News.—Next year is the centenary of the first performance of Mozart's Opera Cosi fan tutte, which has not been heard in public in London since 1873. It has, however, now been placed in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the students at both the Royal College and Royal in rehearsal by the Royal Royal in Roya America on Sunday next.—Sensor Mischiel will give a concert of old Spanish key-board music of the sixteenth century next old Span.-h key-board music of the sixteenth century next spring. He has obtained permission to copy some unfamiliar spring. The has obtained permission to copy some unfamiliar manuscripts from the library of the Escurial.—Miss Lucille manuscripts will, we understand, take the place of Miss Huntington in Saunders will we understand, take the place of Miss Huntington in Paul Jones, while the American artist enjoys a short holiday.—Sir Paul Jones, while the American artist enjoys a short holiday.—Sir paul Jones is the control of the property of the prope Arthur Sullivan has written a letter warmly defending the Leeds Festival Choir from certain attacks which have been made upon it.

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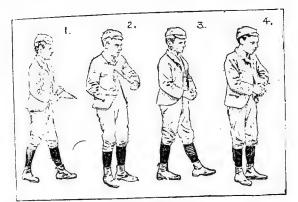
Rubinstein Jubilee Fêles at St. Petersburg

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wangert of Rubinstein's works, a performance of his last operawill last over three days from the 30th inst. They will include a someet of Rubinstein's works, a performance of his last opera, towards, and a grand banquet in the Hall of the Assembly of Nobles.—The Norwegian composer and pianist Grieg is expected to revisit London in February.—The prospectus of the London to revisit London in announces a large number of familiar symphonics, and one novelty, i.e., a portion of a symphonic fantasia Ins Italien, by Richard Strausz, a rising young composer from Munich, only five-and-twenty years of age.

THE "DIVINING-ROD" BOY

Not long ago there was a long and animated correspondence in the Stantard on the use of the "divining-rod" for finding water and minerals. A good many of the writers held that it was a mere superstition, handed down from the dark ages, and that the belief in it was due to a few accidental successes on the part of the water-follows. On the other-side, however, a multitude of evidence was in it was due to a few accidental successes on the part of the water-finders. On the other-side, however, a multitude of evidence was adduced showing that there are certain persons who do possess this peculiar faculty. One such is the lad shown in our engravings, who lears the appropriate name of Rodwell. He is in the employment of the Grinton Mining Company in the North of England, and a vording to the chairman of the company has never failed when



- 1. Ho' Fug the Rod, and Walking in Sea ch of Water.
- 2 Sun ling on Top of a Covered Dring Conduit, with the Rod Sprung up to his Chest.
- 3. Walking with hands together in Search of Water.
- Water.

 4. Standing in same place as No. 2, but
 Hands tightly clasped, unable to
 release them until he walks off the top
 of the drain.

testel. Wherever he has indicated the presence of water or minerals, at that very spot a spring or lode has been discovered. He proceeds thus. Taking in his hands a light rod of wood or other material—it must be a conductor of electricity, by the way, which looks as if this strange power was connected with animal magnetism, or, if he has no rod, with his hands clasped in front of him, Rodwell walks about in likely places. As soon as he steps over water or a mineral-vein the rod springs up to his breast, or the hands clench themselves immovably, and he cannot unclasp them till he moves from the spot. The lad in whom this strange faculty till he mayes from the spot. The lad in whom this strange faculty has devel pell is about fourteen years of age. We are not told whether has peculiar employment has any effect upon his health.

—Our engravings are from photographs sent us Mr. Thomas McClure, of Woodford, Essex.



The conedicta entitled Caught at Last, which now precedes the Print Donna at the AVENUE, has been discovered to be identical The Consedicta entitled Caught at Lass, which now precede The Privat Donna at the AVENUE, has been discovered to be identical with a little piece published some time in a volume of "Drawing Room Plays," by Lady Adelaide Cadogan. It is a mere duologue of rather nively simple construction. Its somewhat mild humours are sufficiently well interpreted by Mr. Harry Grattan and Miss Isabel Folian

Isabel Elli-en.

Another attempt is to be made to revive the fallen fortunes of the PRINTESS Theatre. That undefinable entity "a syndicate" has taken it in hand, and as a consequence it will reopen some time during the present month with a new romantic drama from the pen of Mr. Brandon Thomas, entitled The Gold Craze.

Brussels is to have a "Theâtre Libre," which will be opened in December by M. Narves. "Life as It Is" will be the motto of the new management. This, it is true, is what may be seen in the streets at side without paying; but it may be that the Brussels folk may take to the new method which some one has described as "social-tenography."

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Although Caprice, the new American play at the GLOBE, has been justly confermed by the critics, Miss Loie Fuller's fresh, quaint, origin, and pleasing impersonation of the rustic Yankee heroine is winner great favour. It is a thing to be seen by all who can is winner great favour. It is a thing to be seen by all who can is winner great favour. origin, and pleasing impersonation of the rustic Yankee neroine is winding great favour. It is a thing to be seen by all who can appreciate that subtle quality called "charm," which, as Mrs. Kendal, in one if her autobiographical papers in Muray's Magazine, justly says is familiar to all, though none of us can define it.

Mrs. Langtry is said to be thinking of coupling her management of the Sr. JAMES's with "Subscription Nights." Hitherto subscription nights have been confined to the Italian Opera-houses and to

tion nights have been confined to the Italian Opera-houses and to

ther exotic performances.

To be tobbed of their jewels once or twice in a lifetime seems to to be to be the inevitable lot of popular actresses. Miss Florence St. John, who is now deploring the loss of trinkets to the value of 1,400/., is the law, the law, the law. things, and talk of the "ingenuities of advertising;" but the less

cynical majority have no feeling but a wish that Miss St. John may

Two new three-act plays will shortly be seen at morning performances. One is entitled The Jackal, the other The Two Women.

The latter is the work of M. Pierre Leclerq.

The famous company of the Saxe-Meiningen Court Theatre will give a series of per ormances next year in Russia. They will open at Kiew in February, and proceed thence to St. Petersburg, Moscow,

Riga, and Warsaw.

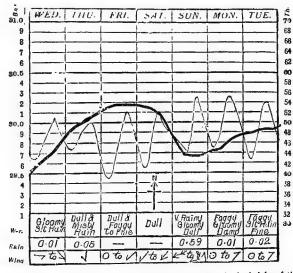
Mr. Dixey, who used to mimic Mr. Irving's peculiarities so cleverly at the GAIETY Theatre, has produced a little piece in New York, in which he represents The Seven Ages of Man, as described by the melancholy Jaques. How he gets on with the infant "mewling and puking in the nurse's arms" is not stated; but it is said that the chief merit of the performance lies in some introduced imitations of popular actors. imitations of popular actors.

Mr. Henry Arthur Jones asks us to say that his projected lectures will not deal with his own pieces, but will treat the drama "in a qu te general and impersonal way."

La Tosca is still in active preparation at the GARRICK Theatre, where it will shortly take the place of Mr. Pinero's play, The Profitiale Profligate.

WEATHER CHART

FOR THE WEEK ENDING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1889.



EXPLANATION.—The thick line shows the variations in the height of the barometer during the week ending Tuesday midnight (20th ult.). The fine line shows the shade temperature for the same interval, and gives the maximum readings for each day, with the (approximate) time at which they occurred. The information is furnished to us by the Meteorological Office.

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REMARKS.—The weather of the past week was dull or gloomy, and very dawn generally. Thick wet fogs were prevalent over the Metropolitan Area, and at times were of a very dark and gloomy character. Speaking broadly, pressure was highest to the Northward and Eastward, and lowest to the Southward of our Islands. At the beginning of the time a long band of low readings stretched from the South-West of England to the Eastward of our area, and Lasterly and North-Easterly breezes, with very dull, showery weather, and local mists or fogs were experienced in most places. In the course of Thursday (24th ult.), and throughout Friday (25th ult.), and a portion of Saturday (24th ult.), some improvement in the sky over the greater part of the country was observed, but rain still continued to fall in the North-East of England. During Friday (25th ult.) a depression moved in a West South-Westerly direction from the South-West of Portugal to the Bay of Biscay, whence it took a Northerly course, and by Sunday (25th ult.) at 8 A.M. the centre was found off the North-West Coasts of France. This disturbance, which subsequently travelled North-Westwards, and then Southwards, and began to fill up, caused somewhat severe Easterly and North-Easterly gales, and steady rainfall in the Channel, and all along our South Coasts, during Saturday night and the morning of Sunday (26th and 27th ult.) Later on the gales and downpour over England subsided, while wet fogs were again experienced locally, but with a fresh depression skirting our North-West Coasts. At the close of the time the barometer well briskly there, and the wind which had drawn into the South had fresh edepression skirting our North-West Coasts. At the close of the time the barometer was highest (35'7) inches) on Friday (25th ult.); lowest (29'52 inches) on Wednesday (23td ult.); range 16'7.

Rain fell on five days. Total fall o'68

THE PROPOSED RAILWAY UP THE JUNGFRAU is warmly opposed, both in Switzerland itself and abroad. The Swiss guides complain that these mountain railways ruin their profession, while true mountain lovers of all nations lament that the romance and beauty of famous peaks should be spoiled by the railway-line and crowds of tourists. There are two schemes afoot—M. Koechlin's plan of a rack-line, similar to that on Mount Pilatus and the Rigi, and the underground system proposed by M. Trautweiler (engineer of the Brunig Railway), which would be carried to the summit by a tubular tunnel. The latter scheme would cost 200,000/, while M. Koechlin requires double that sum and seven years to complete the work. He declares that the difficulties are no greater than on Pilatus, or the funicular line at Glion on Lake Leman. The railway could be made in two divisions—from Lauterbrunnen to the Stechelberg, and thence to the summit by a succession of tunnels. Probably some 30,000 tourists would use the line annually at the fare of 11. 12s. apiece, so that the undertaking would soon pay. Further, a hotel would be constructed at the top, sheltered among the rocks from bad weather. the rocks from bad weather.

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The Paris Exhibition closes next Wednesday with a grand night fête, and early next morning the exhibitors will begin to dispose of such wares as they prefer to sell rather than take home. For several days the public will be admitted by a single ticket to carry off the purchases which they have not been allowed to remove during the Exhibition, and to buy up other exhibits. Probably the colonial villages will be the first portion of the Exhibition to be pulled down, as they can be quickly demolished, and take up much room. As to the preservation of the chief buildings. M. Alphand pulled down, as they can be quickly demolished, and take up much room. As to the preservation of the chief buildings, M. Alphand will lay his proposals before the Municipal Council next Monday. He expects a surplus of at least 320,0002, which will be divided between the State and the City of Paris, and he proposes that this money should be spent on maintaining the Palaces of the Fine and Liberal Arts, the Machinery Hall, the Central Dome, and the Galérie de 30 Mètres, which would form a fine group around the Eiffel Tower. The Military Department must be compensated for the loss of the site, and the surrounding gardens would also cost a considerable sum, but the value of the buildings retained would amply balance the expense. The annual Salons and other art amply balance the expense. The annual Salons and other art exhibitions could be held in the Fine Art Galleries; the Liberal Arts Palace is wanted for the Decorative Museum; the machine gallery is available for cavalry manœuvres and various exhibitions, while concerts can be given in the Central dome. The luminous fountains will probably be moved to the Place de la Concorde.



M. ÉMILE ZOLA may probably come forward as a candidate for M. Augier's vacant seat in the French Académie. The naturalistic author will seem rather out of tune with the highly-polished and somewhat formal Academicians,

MAD KING OTHO OF BAVARIA grows steadily worse mentally, and his physicians have abandoned all hope of cure. He is thin and pale, but robust, with an enormously long beard. Some days he will cat heartily, and at other times will touch nothing.

CONSTITUTION HILL was opened on Saturday for light carriage-traffic, under the same regulations as Birdcage Walk and other roads in St. James's Park. Notice is given, however, that the road may be closed when the Queen is at Buckingham Palace, or, if necessary, on other occasions.

THE NEW VICTORIA ART GALLERIES AT DUNDEE have been inaugurated by the Marquis of Lorne. They form a handsome addition to the Albert Memorial Buildings erected many years ago, and have been constructed in honour of the Queen's Jubilee. The rooms contain some very valuable works.

THE REV. F. JACOX has, says the City Press, remitted to the Council of the Printers' Pension, Almshouse, and Orphanage Corporation the sum of 2,066t, which will be sufficient to provide for the establishment of three pensions for aged and indigent printers' readers—a hardworking and intelligent class of men, hitherto sadly neglected by the benevolent public.

THE NEW CROWN PRINCESS OF GREECE received one of her most valued presents from her sisters. It is an album of sketches by German artists, framed by dried flowers and leaves which the Princesses had gathered near their home at Friedrichskron. On the margins of each page, the Princesses have copied verses from Princess Sophie's favourite poets, Heine and Longfellow.

THE TABLETS OF HONOUR to be presented by the Chinese Government to the English in gratitude for their help during the famine have just been finished at Pekin. They vary in size from three to five feet, according to the rank of the recipient, but are otherwise exactly alike, with a gold lacquer ground, richly ornamented, and bearing a Chinese inscription of thankfulness in big black letters. The names of the donor and receiver occupy each end, and the Viceroy's seal is set in the centre.

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THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, REGENT'S PARK, now contain a specially interesting inmate—a young gaur, or Indian bison, which is stated to be the first ever brought alive to Europe. These creatures are so savage and powerful that they can even resist a tiger successfully, and none have yet been tamed, notwithstanding frequent attempts. The gaur in the Zoo is a fine young bull, not two years old, presented by the Sultan of Phang to the Governor of the Straits' Settlements. It was most tenderly cared for during the voyage on one of the P. and O. vessels, being fed on pineapples, because and figs.

BELGUIM is preparing for a grand National commemoration next year—the twenty-fifth anniversary of King Leopold's accession. year—the twenty-fifth anniversary of King Leopold's accession. Instead, however, of celebrating the actual anniversary in December, the Belgians propose to hold the rejoicings in July, when the weather would be better suited to those out-door festivities which delight the Flemings. There would be Military and Civil fêtes, the King's procession through Brussels exactly reproducing his entry in 1865, a monster banquet to the Royal family, and—most picturesque of all—an allegorical and historical cavalcade, illustrating Belgian commerce and manufactures.

THE ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT of Mozart's Don Giovanni has been promised to the Paris Conservatoire by its present owner, Madame Pauline Viardot. The score, entitled "Il Dissoluto Punito, ossia Don Giovanni," consists of numerous small music-books bound in parchment, and written in a clear, firm hand, with few corrections or erasures. It contains additional airs for Ottivio and Masetto, which are always omitted, besides a grand finale "of satisfaction" which are always omitted, besides a grand finale "of satisfaction" to be sung by all the characters, who assemble on the stage directly Don Giovanni has been carried off to the regions below. Speaking of originals, the manuscript of "Froissart's Chronicles" has just been sold in Paris for 1,800/.

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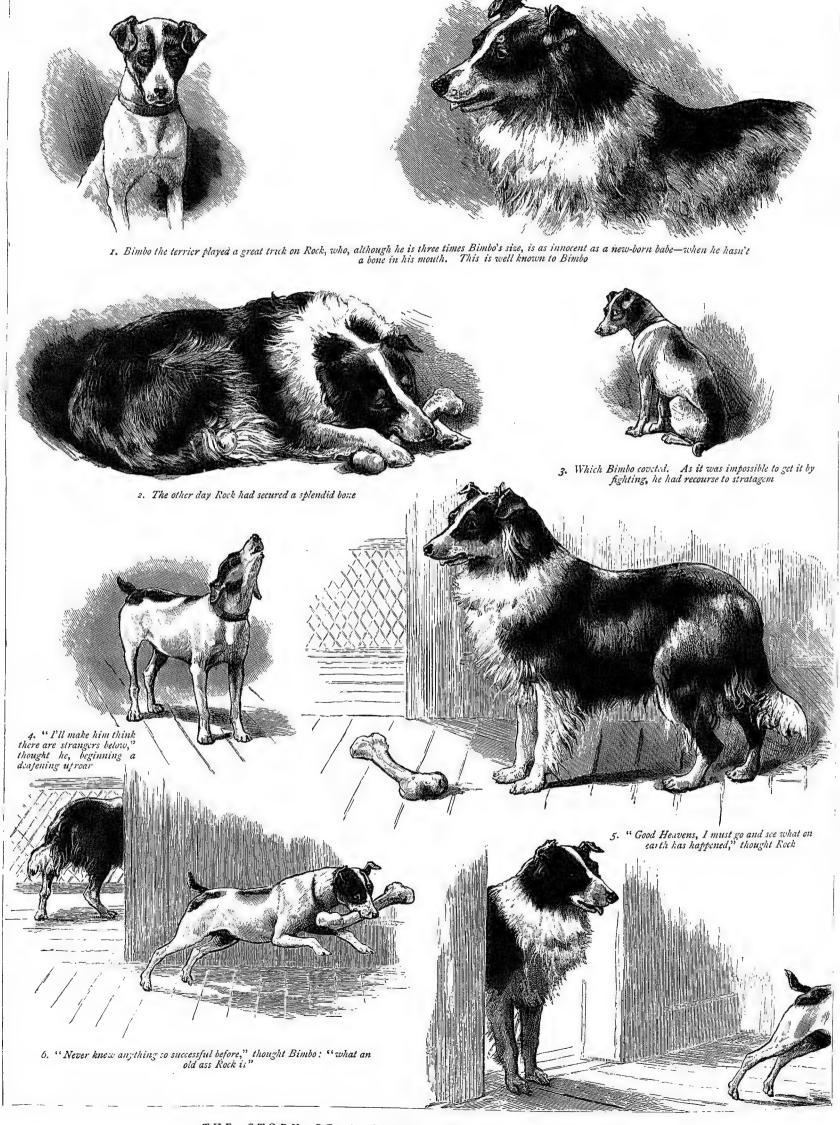
THE ROYAL FEMALE SCHOOL OF ART EXHIBITION.—On Friday and Saturday last, the Annual Exhibition of Students' Drawings was held at 43, Queen's Square, W.C. Since last year, the facilities for study have been greatly increased, the Committee having lately added a new "Life" Studio, a Painting Studio, a Library, a Lecture Room, and luncheon apartments. The drawings this year fully sustained the high reputation of the School. Among the prize-winners were Miss Edith Harwood, Miss Edith Slack, Miss Lilly Pritchard, and Miss Hodges. Since 1860 eight gold, thirty-four silver, and fity-seven bronze medals have been obtained by the students in National competitions.

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School. The Royal children were remarkably solemn during the first part of the ceremony, with its hymns and processions of the pupils, but thoroughly enjoyed acting as woodcutters. Prince Arthur and Princess Margaret gave seven vigorous strokes apiece with the hatchet, while little Princess Patricia, aged three years and a-half, could hardly be persuaded to leave off hitting the tree. The Royal children carried away the oak hatchet, mounted in silver, used for the ceremony, together with numerous bouquets.

The MCST INTERESTING RELICS OF EMPEROR FREDERICK III. OF GERMANY are now exhibited in the Hohenzollern Family Museum at Berlin, where the two new rooms devoted to the late Emperor were opened on his birthday. There is his favourite dragoon uniform, with the general's coat which he wore as a bridegroom hanging by the side of the Empress's wedding-dress and other bridal paraphernalia. His childish playthings, his pipes—one china, one wooden—his favourite riding-whip and sticks—one cut from a lime-tree at the Battle of Sadowa—the State seal used during his brief reign, his Orders, flags, a bomb-shell which he narrowly escaped during the storming of the Düppel redoubts in the Schleswig-Holstein Campaign, are among the most precious mementoes. The gifts on the Emperor and Empress's Silver Wedding fila cabinet near the picture of the family group on the Silver Wedding day. The second room resembles a mortuary chamber, with its black cloth hangings, and the Imperial bust surrounded by the palm-branches and bows of ribbon used at the funeral. The addresses of condolence to the Empress are shown here, while two cabinets contain hangings, and the Imperial bust surrounded by the palm-branches and bows of ribbon used at the funeral. The addresses of condolence to the Empress are shown here, while two cabinets contain souvenirs of the dead young Princes Waldemar and Sigismund. Much interest is felt in the reminiscences of the Emperor just published by the well-known author, Gustave Freytag, who was very intimate with the late Sovereign. Herr Freytag declares that the long inactivity forced upon Frederick III. when Crown Prince sapped his vital energy, causing a depressed tone both of mind and body. The writer dwells on His Majesty's intense devotion to, and admiration of, his wife, and draws the most sympathetic and life-like portrait of the Emperor which has vet appeared. portrait of the Emperor which has yet appeared.



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MR. JUSTICE FIELD, Mr. Justice Day, and Mr. Justice Grantham, have been selected by the Queen's Bench Division to be placed on the rota for the trial of Election Petitions in England and Wales during the ensuing year.

- Mr. Michael Davitt had not THE SPECIAL COMMISSION, finished his address when the Court rose on Wednesday. It included much of his political and social autobiography, with an agrarian and legislative history of Ireland in modern times, and aimed at proving that the Land League, which he had been largely instrumental in founding, was a "bona fide Constitutional Organisation," mental in founding, was a "bona fide Constitutional Organisation," that any outrages which had been perpetrated during its existence were "incidental" to the evils of the land system which it aimed at abolishing, and had not been in the slightest degree instigated by its

abolishing, and had not been in the slightest degree instigated by its leaders.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL.—The long-talked-of action for breach of promise brought by Miss Phyllis Broughton, formerly of the Avenue Theatre, against Viscount Dangan, was settled on Tuesday in Court before the case was called. Miss Broughton's counsel, the Solicitor-General, intimated that she would accept 2,50cl. with costs as between solicitor and client. On the part of the defendant, Sir Charles Russell said that Viscount Dangan admitted having made the engagement, and expressly wished it to be known that in breaking it off no reflection is cast by him on either the character or conduct of the fair plaintiff.

A CLERIC'S REFUSAL TO RECOGNISE THE STATUTORY JURIS-A CLERIC'S REFUSAL TO KECOGNISE THE STATUTORY JURIS-DICTION OF THE COURT OF ARCHES has been summarily punished by Lord Penzance, its Dean. The Vicar of Hoo St. Werburgh, in the Diocese of Rochester, declined to administer the sacrament of the Communion to a lady, one of his parishioners, and for ten years a regular attendant and communicant at his church, on the sole ground that she had occasionally visited a Wesleyan place of worship. On being called on to appear before the Court of Arches, the only notice he took of the citation was to write a letter in which he contemptuously pronounced the Court to be "as incompetent to deal with a purely spiritual question as if it were a County Court or a Court-Martial." Lord Penzance has suspended him for a year from the discharge of his functions in his benefice, and from receiving its emoluments, besides ordering him to pay all the costs of the proceedings. The sentence of suspension may, however, be re-considered if, on the complainant's application, the reverend gentleman concedes her very legitimate claim. gentleman concedes her very legitimate claim.

WHEN ONE OF ITS NOTES HAS BEEN LOST, the Bank of England is bound, the Queen's Bench Division have just decided to give the owner, or his heirs, another of the same amount on receiving an indemnity, considered by a judicial authority to be satisfa tory, against any further liability in regard to it. In the case before the Court, the owner of a bank-note for 1,000/., a confirmed drunkard, lost it ten years ago, and died in 1887. His son, as administrator of his estate, had offered security as required by the Bills Act, but the Bank had refused to accept any, while ready to invest the money and pay interest on it to the elainent invest the money and pay interest on it to the claimant.

AT A MEETING IN LONDON summoned by the Society for the Prevention of Hydrophobia and Reform of the Dog Laws, and presided over by Sir Henry Roscoe, M.P., statistics were adduced to prove that mortality from rabies has been steadily increasing. Dr.

Fleming, Principal Veterinary Surgeon to the Army, moved, and Mr. Harrison Weir, the well-known animal painter, supported, a resolution, which was adopted, in favour of Sir H. Roscoe's Bill enacting the general muzzling of dogs for twelve months throughout

IN THE WELSH SLATE QUARRIES

VERV soon after entering Wales, the traveller is made aware that he is in the Land of Slate. Long mineral trains full of slate pass on their outward journey, and in every siding are trucks full of slabs or slates waiting to be despatched to Liverpool, Birmingham, Bristol, or London. At a station, which is the terminus of a local quarry line, broad, low, wharves covered with slates ranged in classly nacked raws account the ground near the line and between

Bristol, or London. At a staton, which states ranged in quarry line, broad, low, wharves covered with slates ranged in closely-packed rows occupy the ground near the line, and between them run the sidings for loading the trucks. The little quarry railway winds upwards from the valley between the hills and into the mountains, branching off at a village some six miles up into the bank or yard of each quarry.

The village has grown up round the quarries, and all the inhabitants are quarrymen. Everything is of slate; the cottages are all built of great blocks of waste slate roughly dressed, and roofed with "moss" slates. The kitchen is floored and shelved with slate, and hearth-stone, door-steps, and garden-fences are all made of slate. In the back garden, the pig frequently sleeps in a stye, made, like a house of cards, of broad slabs; and the gateway into the field opposite is fastened by a block of slate propped against it. Slate is everywhere and everything, and when it is pounded too small for any other purpose is used to mend the roads with. Great small for any other purpose is used to mend the roads with. Great masses of rubble, or "tip," as it is called, spoil the hill-side, and the smoke of the engine-house rises above the long shed through which the whistle and whirr of the slate-saws echo all day long.

Within those square openings in the face of the hill are long tunnels driven directly through the "trap" rock, parallel to and touching the slate vein. Every forty yards are the "bargains," or places measured off from which the men quarry the slate, twenty yards being left as "pillar" to support the roof, and twenty yards being excavated by the quarrymen. The work of the miners is very hard, but slate-quarrying has great advantages over other kinds of mining, as the air underground is always pure, and the temperature cool in summer and warm in winter. The life is healthy and the accidents few, the chief cause of illness being the liability to chill to which the men are subject owing to their quitting work in a comparatively warm atmosphere for the bitter cold of the snow-covered mountains during a great portion of the

year.

Most of the men live in the little village in the valley between the quarries, but many of them come from long distances over the hills. Should hard times or closing of works make employment unobtainable in their native district, sooner than uproot their families and cause their wives to lose whatever work they may be engaged on, the men will walk to their distant labour, remaining awiy the whole week, and only returning home for Sunday. Many a quarryman will rise long before the sun on Monday morning, and a quarryman will rise long before the sun on Monday morning, and tramp his ten or twelve miles across the hills in the dim light of the coming dawn to reach the engine-house and quarry levels by half-past six, preparatory to a hard day's work. During the week they lodge in the village with the cottagers, who, of course, are all quarrymen like themselves. The landlord who built the cottages intended that each family should have a four-roomed tenement to itself, in order that due regard might be paid to decency, but the custom of the country has been too much for him. Most of the cottages, especially the newer ones, had outhouses built at the far end

of the garden, but these are all diverted from their proper use, and of the garden, but these are all diverted from their proper use, and turned into pigsties, as being at once more useful and more profitable. The opportunity, too, for making a little money easily was not to be lost, and so the family are all crowded together into one or two rooms, and the rest of the cottage is let out to the lodgers from a distance. A little cottage bedroom, intended for two from a distance. A little cottage bedroom, intended for two sleepers at the utmost, is made to accommodate four sturdy quarrymen. In each corner of the room is a pallet bed, and each man has his corner, performing his toilet, when he sees fit to do so, in the kitchen or back-yard. On Saturday the week's work ceases at midday, and the weekly lodger tramps off to his wife and children, having lived nearly all the week on tea and bread, and at the expense of one shilling per week for his corner of a be from. After work on weekdays many of the quarrymen are to be in the live of the corner of a better that the work on weekdays many of the quarrymen are to be in the live of the corner of the corner. expense of one shilling per week for his corner of a be from. After work on weekdays many of the quarrymen are to be a und sitting round the old oak tables in the kitchens of the inns, winking a curru, or glass of beer, discussing points of interest to themselves, or comparing "bargains" and quarries. As the evening draws on they sing Welsh songs, and compose airs for the competition at the next Eisteddfod. The knowledge of music possessed by the roughest quarrymen is something marvellous; they nearly all read music a sight, and many have a good understanding of thorough-bass.

On Saturday afternoon and Sunday the village seems thansformed; no more labourers grimed with slate-dust are to be seen, but the place is crowded with men in black broadcloth, or, in the case of

place is crowded with men in black broadcloth, or, in the case of the younger men, in tourist suits. Some of them, for the most part the fathers of families, wear high silk hats, but otherwise the billy. the fathers of families, wear light ship hats, but otherwise the billy-cock is universal. When the quarryman is not at work he does all he can to give himself a complete change of occupation. He washes himself, and puts on his best clothes, and as, during the week washes himself, and puts on his best clothes, and as, during the week his labour is hard and muscle-forming, he eschews cricket, football, and other athletics, and prefers to pass his time leaning with three or four companions over a fence, gazing up the valley, or at the hills opposite. As a rule he smokes, but often only twildles an unlir pipe in his hands. He does not care to talk; a word or two now and then exchanged with the man next him suffices to break the monotony of gazing across the fields, discussions and conversations being left for the kitchen of the village inn. On Sunday he varies his contemplation over the fence by church or changle course. varies his contemplation over the fence by church or chapel-going in the morning, and by walking along the tram-line in the attenuon.

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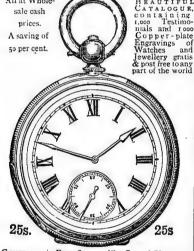
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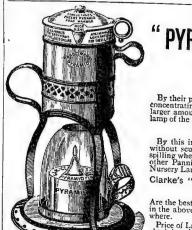
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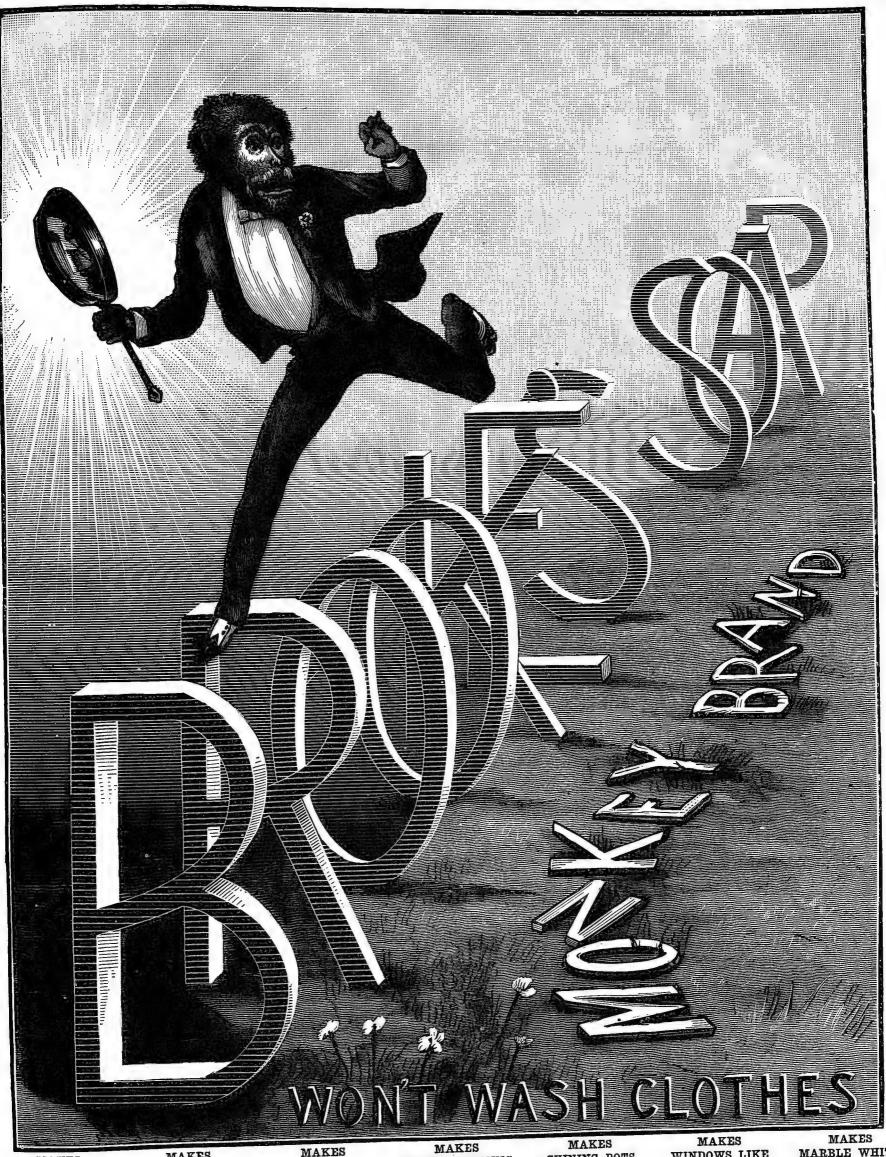
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THE SEASON is forward. The work on the farm is not often so well advanced at the beginning of November as it is to-day. The present promise is of an unusually early curtailing of the wages bill by the reduction of the list of labourers to a winter minimum. Should this reduction at the end of a mild November prove coincident with a change to wintry weather in December, the outlook for the farmer would, indeed, be favourable, but the distress among the agricultural labourers would be severe. Wages even now range only from twelve to sixteen shillings in the Shires, and from ten to twelve will be the winter average. It is not wonderful that the townward movement of population continues, especially when we townward movement of population continues, especially when we see Dock labourers strongly supported by public opinion for refusing to take anything under 4s. a day. Moreover, the docker's hours, eight to the day, are shorter than those of the agricultural labourer, and the exposure is less. A slight set-off is to be found in the Allotment movement, which is fixing the better class of labourers to the land. The work on the farm now consists of carting and ruising roots, of planting cabbages, drilling in autumn grain, including rye to be cut green for stock, also cleaning the stubbles, hedgerows, and coppices, and burning up the debris of the year. In the garden asters still survive, owing to the mild October, and a few single dahlias remain to gladden us with the delicate variety and beauty of colour which in this, more than in any other flower, the botanist has been able to attain. Chrysanthemums equal the single dahlia in many tones of colour, but not in the reds. Growers of the Japanese flower, however, are now achieving a success which of the Japanese flower, however, are now achieving a success which puts even colour triumphs into the shade. The scented chrysantheputs even colour triumphs into the shade. The scented chrysanthemums which this autumn has produced vary in odour; but the sweetness without cloying which has already been obtained is very great, resembling that of the delicate Persian rose, with a slight addition of some aromatic element. The heavy scent of the gardenia, hyacinth, and lily is not even suggested.

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WHEAT.—The average production of wheat in the United Kingdom during the last five years has been 9,297,322 qrs., the average of the thirty-two years previous (for which we have reliable data) being 12,485,369 qrs. This serious decline is due entirely to the fall in the area under wheat cultivation. This fall is from an average area of 3,681,153 acres to 2,539,489 acres, and much more than merely effaces the good effect of an increase in the mean productiveness of the land per acre from 27 to 29¼ bushels. This latter increase is of itself sufficient to vindicate the British grower from the charge of declining skill. In no other country does the average come so high as in the United Kingdom by 5¼ bushels—the average of New Zealand being only 24 bushels, and of Canada (new land) almost the same; while the old lands of Canada yield only 12 to 16 bushels, and in Australia even less is obtained.

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over much the usual area; but "the stream of tendency" seems, on the figures of thirty-seven years, to show that wheat cultivation is a declining industry within these islands.

SIR JOHN LAWES, whose estimate of wheat imports we have SIR JOHN LAWES, whose estimate of wheat imports we have already quoted, has quite startled the agricultural community by his low estimate of this year's home yield. The estimate of an average crop in the United Kingdom taken by Sir John is 28 bushels, this being, as we understand, on a period of forty years. It will be seen to be a low average, 11½ bushel below that to which the past five years have accustomed us. It is, therefore, a matter of real surprise to find the wheat crop of 1889, which ninety-nine persons out of a hundred assumed to be a full average, assessed at 28 bushels only, or, at the weight of 61 lbs. to the bushel, at even less. Sir John Lawes is inclined to think that his estimates are this year rather pessimistic, but he evidently thinks also that the pessimism will prove justifiable, and, therefore, he cannot "make any direct numerical correction" on figures which give the yield of wheat for 1889 at 8,733,725 qrs. of 61 lbs. to the bushel, or 8,887,700 Statute quarters of 480 lbs. to the quarter. This is nearly a million quarters under the estimates of the leading agricultural journals.

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FARMYARD MANURE seems to have been the most useful stimulant to grain production in 1889. The weather, rainfall, and other causes co-operating with the influence of fertilisers are very difficult to trace in their action, as combined with that of the artificial additions to the soil, but it is evident that the conditions of 1889 have been extremely favourable to that very numerous class of farmers, whose reliance for field-minures is on their own stock. Land well manured with farm-dung has yielded 40½ bushels to the acre, against an average of 34 bushels for land artificially manured, and of from 28 to 30 bushels for the whole country. On the other hand guano, nitrates, and salts of ammonia have not fer-On the other hand guano, nitrates, and salts of ammonia have not fertilised the land to the extent which they usually do. The disappointment is about two bushels on the acre. As to nitrate of soda, it has not raised the average yield at all this year, though in years which suit its application it will increase the yield by four to eight bushels on the acre.

THE ESSEX AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY have done good service in the autumn Show of seed-corn, recently held under their auspices at the autumn Show of seed-corn, recently need under their auspices at Colchester. Special prizes of good value were offered for the best samples of an excellent old-fashioned white wheat grown over a large area of Essex and Suffolk—the Rough Chaff. The winning sample of this weighed 63 lbs. to the bushel, and is understood to have been sold for 40s. per qr. There were several other sorts shown, but the display was not so large as we should have expected to find, from the great wheat-growing reputation of this part of Excellent. The whole question of good seed is a vital one. England. The whole question of good seed is a vital one. A small Society with the motto of "One Sale" has existed for a great many years, with the supply of guaranteed seed to its members as a principal raison d'être. Farmers, however, for the most part either select for themselves from their own growing, or else send to one of the big advertising seedsmen. The latter treat them well, and supply fine seed, but their charges are enormous—80s. per qr. for seed-wheat, the same for seed-barley, and 72s. per qr. for seed-oats.

THE GLOUCESTERSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY ought to It is the chief wheat-growing county west of the Thames and Trent. It is noted for its dairy farming, for its cheeses, its sheep, and its swine. Good herds of Herefords, of Jerseys, and of Shorthorns thrive within its confines, while it has Bristol. How is it then that the County Society languishes, and can barely pay its way? Why have four successive Shows resulted in loss? They have not all had bad weather. The reasons sugin 'loss r They have not an had bad weather. The reasons suggested for the present state of things are diverse, but the principal seems to be the large expenditure of prize money on the exhibits of "specialists"—as an agricultural journal politely calls them—"pot-hunters," as we believe the sporting world would say. It is

true that the whole system on which our agricultural societies are conducted should be overhauled, for the proposal to wind up the Gloucestershire Society has simply brought to a head in that district a state of affairs known to exist in a number of other counties.

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WITH the exception of Sir Frederick Leighton's "Sybil" and "Girls Playing at Ball," which were seen at the Academy this year, nearly all the best works in Messrs. Tooth's Exhibition are of moderate size. The smallest of them, M. Meissonier's recently finished "Le Liseur," though wanting vitality, shows mastery in its treatment of light and colour, and its firm expressiveness of touch. In a picture of semi-savage life—on a smaller scale than anything we have seen by him—the Servian painter P. Joanowitz has depicted with a great deal of dramatic power the anger and indignation of a man seated in a tavern at the very complacent way in which a comely serving-maid receives the attentions of the other guests. Every head is life-like, and the attitude of every figure natural and expressive. M. W. Bouguerean's poetical composition "The First Whisper of Love," representing a young girl seated in an attitude of classic grace, and listening with childish wonder to the whisperings of a winged Cupid, though not very novel in subject, is an excellent example of his cultivated style. Among the landscapes Mr. Peter Graham's "A Mountain Torrent" is the most surprising, and in many ways the best. Whilst evidently a faithful rendering of the scene under a particular atmospheric influence, it is stronger, and at the same time more restrained in style, more is stronger, and at the same time more restrained in style, more is stronger, and at the same time more restrained in style, more poetical in feeling, and more impressive than anything we remember to have seen by him. Mr. W. L. Wyllie's spacious landscape "Harvest Time" is as suggestive of moving atmosphere and daylight as any of his sea-coast or river scenes. Landscape and figures are artistically combined in the adjoining picture "Hay-Time," by M. Léon Lhermitte; who also sends a charming little study of a rustic child "Returning from the Fields." The other very small works include two views in Venice, by A. Pasini; a capital sketch of a little Dutch girl, by Artz; and two strikingly characteristic and elaborately finished pictures of Oriental life, by A. Ferrari.

MR. M'LEAN'S GALLERY

ALTHOUGH Sir John Millais's large "Afternoon Tea," which was Exhibition, is disappointing, several of the smaller pictures, especially those by foreign artists, well deserve attention. Of two Egyptian pictures by Ch. Wilda, both showing a very great advance on his previous work, "The Courtyard of Ablutions at the Mosque of Mahomet Bey" is perhaps the better. The numerous figures, variously engaged, are true types of Oriental character, natural and expressive in their gestures, and admirably grouped. The pictures is the sixty of the picture o expressive in their gestures, and admirably grouped. The picture is full of carefully considered detail, and, though each individual fact is rendered with rare imitative skill and completeness, every part is rendered with rare imitative skill and completeness, every part bears its right relative value to the rest. An excellent example of M. V. Chevilliard's remarkable skill in depicting the humorous side of French clerical life is to be seen in "A Critical Moment," showing a curé trying to photograph a group of restless acolytes. Mdlle. Rosa Bonheur's small picture of "A Royal Stag," suffused with mist; M. Harlamoff's picturesque interior of "A Breton Cottage," with figures indistinctly seen in the gathering gloom; and Mr. H. Moore's vigorous study of a stormy sea "Off the Isle of Wight," are excellent in their various ways. Sir John Millais's picture, hanging at the end of the gallery, looks well from a distance by reason of its well-balanced composition, its skilful arrangement of light and shade, and its broad and vigorous handling. On closer examination, however, it is seen that the three quaintly-attired little girls seated ina garden have not the charmingly child-like character and expression which he has so often succeeded in rendering. The attitudes sion which he has so often succeeded in rendering. The attitudes of two of them are constrained, and their faces inanimate. The best of the other English pictures in the collection have been exhibited before.

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SPENDING my holidays this year at Heidelberg, I made the acquaintance of its students through casually strolling one evening into a beer saloon which I found given up to members of the University. On discovering my mistake I apologised for the intrusion, and explained that I was an Englishman ignorant of local usages. Not only was the explanation accepted, but I was invited to remain, and join them as their boon companion. The invitation was gladly assented to, and courtesies were interchanged. Heidelberg students seem to pride themselves on their chivalrous bearing towards foreigners. Certainly nothing could have surpassed the cordiality of my reception. In less than five minutes I was made to feel as much at home as if I had known these good-natured fellows all my life. A beaker of foaming Münchner beer was called for, and my health drunk with musical honours, performed in firstrate style. No mere "Hoch" or "For he's a jolly good fellow," but an orchestra of some half-a-dozen musicians, stationed at one end of the hall, struck up some lively air in which the students rate style. No mere "Hoch" or "For he's a jolly good fellow," but an orchestra of some half-a-dozen musicians, stationed at one end of the hall, struck up some lively air in which the students freely joined. As quickly as one could say:—"Eins, zwei, drei; Salamanderei," glasses were drained, and a pretty, pert barmaid, named Bertha, was called to replenish them. Most people know that the Heidelberg students are divided into five corps, distinguished by the colours of their caps. The whites are the Prussians, the greens the Westphalians, red denotes Vandals, blue Rhinelanders, and yellow Suabians. The only students in the saloon at the time were the Rhinelanders, whose guest I accordingly was, and they were dispersed about three tables. Presently, however, Bertha came in to announce that another corps—the Whites—wished to enter. So the Blues concentrated themselves at two adjoining tables, leaving the third free for the newcomers. The proceeding puzzled me a little, as I was not aware of the etiquette observed among the students. Since then I have learnt that the customs at Heidelberg and other Universities are most stringent. The members of different corps never fraternise, but quite ignore each other when they meet in public. I, being a guest of the Blues, would have offended my entertainers if I had spoken to the Whites, or remained at the table assigned to them.

It was now my part to return the compliment which had been paid to me. So I mustered sufficient German to make it understood that I was drinking to the health of the Rhenania corps. The toast was, of course, received with enthusiasm, and more beer was called for. Then followed in my honour.

it understood that I was drinking to the health of the Rhenania corps. The toast was, of course, received with enthusiasm, and more beer was called for. Then followed, in my honour, the health of Queen Victoria, which was replied to by my giving the toast of the German Kaiser. All this occupied but a short while, and I soon began to feel that I was out of my element. At the best of times (that is to say, even when I am in Germany, where the beer is weak, and the example of well-brought-up young ladies sitting in public places, with their tumblers of Pilsener in front of their knitting, proves infectious and encouraging to Englishmen) I am but a poor beer-drinker. There is a hall at Königswinter, on the Rhine, inscribed with the following witty epigram anent the wondrous imbibing powers of the Germans:—

Die alten Deutschen am Ufer des Rheins.

Die alten Deutschen am Ufer des Rheins, Sie tranken immer noch eins, Und merschtentheils das Vorletzte.

-which a friend has thus rendered into anapæstic measure :-

Germans ever of old, where the Rhine's waters run, Had their glass; 'twas not water, but always 'twas one. And in this it was queer, that, if drunk slow or fast, It was always the one that preceded the last.

And such seemed to be the humour of my pleasant friends. For my own part, I would have preferred to make my one flagon subserve the duties of the entire evening. But the laws of hospitality are inexorable, and I was informed that it was not considered polite

to drink less than half a tumbler at each draught. So, like a bad player who is reluctantly playing for higher stakes than he can afford, I tried to cut my visit short. This was far from easy. So warmly was I pressed to stay that I had to think of some excuse for getting away. I pleaded an appointment, which my neighbour, who understood English, mischievously translated to the others "a rendezvous." Of course there was loud laughing at my expense, but I was suffered to depart, having previously obtained permission from the captain of the Rhinelanders to witness some University duelling on the following morning. The orchestra again struck up in my honour, caps were taken off, and the whole corps rose as I made my adieus. A couple of them even accompanied me as far as the street, expressed the hope that I was satisfied with the welcome extended to me, and bade me farewell with the most deferential politeness.

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On the following morning, punctually at nine o'clock, I wended my way to the well-known students' inn in the Hirschgasse—a narrow turning by the water-side. It may seem strange that though duels are regularly fought here twice a week, to the number of about 250 a year, they are not legal, and render those who take part in them liable to imprisonment. The proceedings are therefore invested with a certain amount of secrecy. The rooms upstairs in which they take place are carefully locked, the general public are excluded, and they are supposed to be kept from the knowledge of the police. Having sent up my name, I was admitted into a long room which served as an antechamber to the duelling-room. The duels at the Hirschgasse have been so vividly depicted by Mark Twain in his "Tramp Abroad," and the institution of University duelling has been so well described in "Greifenstein" and Motley's "Correspondence," that little is left to be added. But an object never produces exactly the same impression on two different people. Each observer sees things with his own eyes, and notes features which others overlook. The duels that I saw were certainly not the cushion affairs they are said to be. On the other hand, they were not as sanguinary, nor did they last as long, as those referred to in the "Tramp Abroad." About five minutes appeared to be the limit of each encounter, and this was long enough to allow of some awful gashes being given and received. With the same deference that my hosts had shown the previous those referred to in the "Tramp Abroad." About five minutes appeared to be the limit of each encounter, and this was long enough to allow of some awful gashes being given and received. With the same deference that my hosts had shown the previous night, all the students made way for me, that I might enjoy a good view of the combat. As before, I had some difficulty in resisting their well-meant attentions, and mounted a chair at the further end of the room. Truth to tell, my courage failed me even before the contest began. The combatants presented a ghastly spectacle as they entered the room, leaning on the arms of "novices." They were gloved, and padded, and wadded, covered in front with a large blood-stained leather apron, and protected around the eyes by awful-looking iron goggles. After an elaborate series of salutations between those who presided over the function, the word of command was given by one of the seconds, who shrieked at the top of his voice, Auf die Mensur. Hostilities then commenced. Rapiers gleamed and clashed as if they would cut one another in twain, and the clang of steel continued amidst breathless excitement until a red seam began to trickle down the face of one of the combatants. Forthwith the seconds cried "Halt," and knocked the contending swords up with their own. The hair of the duellers was smoothed back, wounds were examined and stanched, and the contest was resumed until the seconds again intervened. When the fight is over, a rush is made for the antechamber, where when the fight is over, a rush is made for the antechamber, where the surgeon is in readiness to dress the wounds. This attracts almost as much attention as the fight itself, so that I am again pressed to get a good view of "so interesting" a performance. However, not being a surgeon, nor having any idea of embracing that noble profession, I cannot affect to be edified by witnessing surgical operations. So I again decline, assuring my hosts that I

can see very well from a distance. By the time the wounds are dressed, another pair are ready for duel number two, and there is a rush for the duelling-chamber.

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Like Mark Twain before me, I could not help admiring the Spartan fortitude which the combatants displayed, for it must be confessed that these fine fellows behaved throughout with perfect equanimity. Bleeding and slashing, ripping and sewing, all were endured without the slightest sign of pain. I was informed that these encounters are intended to develop the animal courage of the students, and there can be no doubt that, if this be their object, it is completely attained. Besides, German students do not indulge in cricket, football, tennis, boating, or any of our ordinary college games, so that with them duelling takes the place of our English sports. Perhaps, as the Germans are a nation of soldiers, the substitute is not a bad one, from a German point of view. We, however, as a nation of shopkeepers, find that field-games and water-pastimes furnish a more suitable training for our youth.

There were eight duels on the programme that morning, but two were as many as I cared to witness. So I shortly took my leave—again amidst a marked exhibition of politeness—musing, as I descended the staircase, upon the strange combination of refined breeding and repulsive barbarism which the manners of the Heidelberg students presented. Every member of a corps is expected (so I was given to understand) to fight not less than twelve duels during his stay at the University. The narrow coloured ribbon slung across the breast denotes that the wearer has gained a certain number of victories at duelling. Indeed, the impression made upon strangers is that students divide their whole time between duelling and drinking. You scarcely ever see a student abroad whose face is not either bandaged and plastered, or tattooed with duel marks; and, unless he is driving or walking, he is sure to be boozing. One student in particular, whom I came across, took my attention. His right cheek presented the appearance of having been ruled from mouth to ear with four parallel crimson lines. And such is the force of publ

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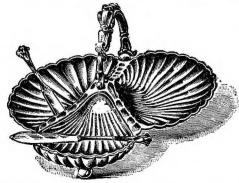
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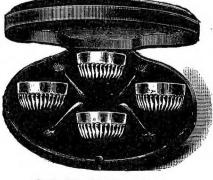
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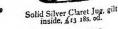
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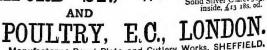


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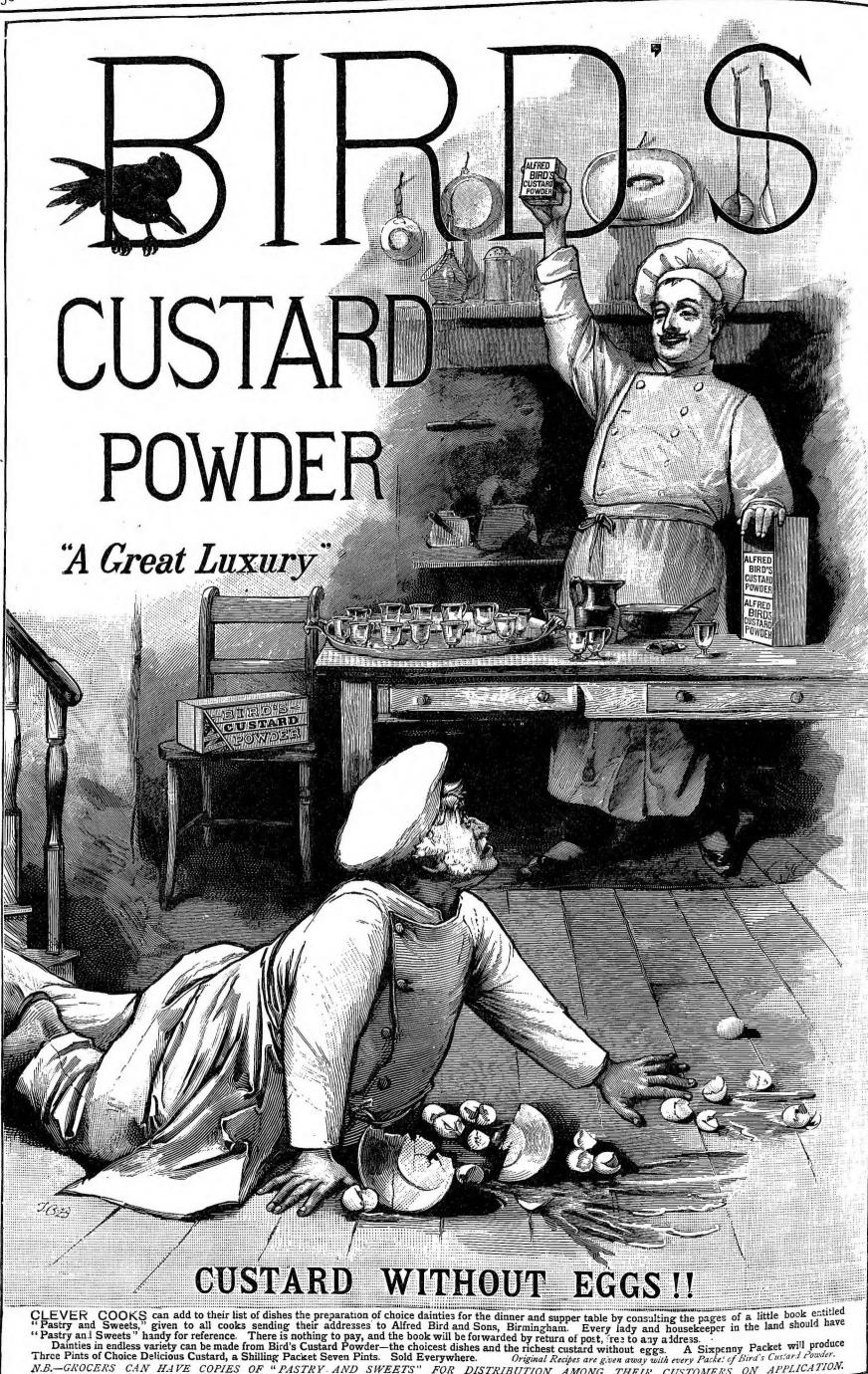
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